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## Parents' fury as far-right group claims teen deaths 'race crimes'

**EXCLUSIVE** by Chris Murphy  
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THE parents of two young men struck down in brutal killings, one of whom was a Harry Potter actor, have lashed out at a far-right political group for using the boys' images and wrongly claiming they were white victims of racial murders.

Swanley-based Britain First was set up by Paul Golding, who was a British National Party councillor on Sevenoaks district council until he resigned in February, 2011.

And rather than admitting Britain First should have sought permission from the families to use the pictures for political purposes, he said the parents should have got in touch

with the group to make sure they were removed.

After leaving the BNP, Golding launched his own extremist group which says: "We oppose the colonisation of our homeland through immigration and support the maintenance of the indigenous British people as the demographic majority within our own homeland."

A email flyer sent out this week by the organisation headlined 'RIP the white British victims of racism... will YOU help honour their memory?' includes pictures of Harry Potter star Rob Knox and teenage victim Michael Chapman – much to the distress of their families.

Rob was 18 when he was murdered

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**VICTIMS:** Images of Michael Chapman (left) and Rob Knox were used on the email

### ENTERTAINMENT

#### Castle's TV ad was 'simples'

A west Kent castle was taken over by a film crew after its owners agreed to rent it out for the latest in the popular series of Compare the Meerkat ads.

And the castle owners let slip one of the tricks of trade when they revealed the Russian meerkats were not spotted on the set.

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### POLICING

#### War hero's bid for police job

IRAQ war hero Colonel Tim Collins, who won praise for his famous eve-of-battle speech to troops, reveals the policies he believes will win him the post of Kent's first Police and Crime Commissioner. Among his policies, he wants volunteer officers to get discounted council tax bills.

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### SPORT

#### London 2012 series begins

WITH less than six months to go until the start of the London Olympics, Kent on Sunday is launching a series of features with the county's athletes in 2012 contention.

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# 'This flyer is just wrong, to claim it was a racial attack is just not true'

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in May, 2008, in Sidcup, just after he'd finished filming his role as Marcus Belby in Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince. He had already signed to appear in the next film, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.

He died after being stabbed outside a bar when he intervened in a fight to protect his brother Jamie, 17 at the time, from two men, one of whom was armed with a pair of knives.

Karl Bishop, now 25, from Lewisham, was found guilty of murder in February, 2009, and jailed for life with a minimum of 20 years. It was never stated at the hearing that race was a factor in Rob's death.

But the Britain First flyer signed by Golding reads: "These poor souls – all of them members of our own nation and our own flesh and blood – have been deprived of life by violent immigrant racists in horrific and brutal attacks."

But Rob's father Colin was furious his son's image was used without his permission and thanked KoS for bringing it to his attention.

Mr Knox told us: "I am annoyed. We were never approached for a photo to be used. His mother [Sally] is also on there too, and I know she won't be pleased either. My son was British and the guy that killed him was mixed-race, but he was British, too. It was not a racially charged attack – he was just a nutcase.

"I am not in favour of this at all; I am not in favour of my son's photograph being on there and I don't wish to be associated with this in any way. I don't support what they are trying to do – they have their facts wrong anyway. It was not a racial attack. My son has been dead for four years and I want him to lay there in peace. I do not want his name used in this fashion.

"I want to take this to the Prime Minister – it's just wrong doing something like this. It will upset all the family."

In 2006, Michael Chapman from Sittingbourne, was 16 when he was kicked and punched to death for chatting to a girl.

Lee Cowie, who is white, was jailed for four years for manslaughter. Again, race was not mentioned as a factor in the attack.

His parents Lloyd and Sue set up a charity to combat violence among young people and have just won an assurance of government funding.

Mr Chapman, a former Grenadier guard, said POCAV, or Protect Our Communities Against Violence, will be up and running shortly.

He said: "This flyer is just wrong. The claim it was a racial attack is just not true.

"It was a white guy who killed him. I am not a racist person – I have black friends. I am fuming about this. It would have been nice if they had got in touch with us to ask for permission to use this picture."

He said the stress of losing Michael is still a heavy burden for his family.

Mr Chapman said: "Sue and I came very, very close to splitting up, closer than anyone can think. I was blaming others and Sue and I were arguing a lot. This is why we need to make POC-AV work and stop Michael's memory being abused like it is on this leaflet."

The Britain First website describes the murder of black teenager Stephen Lawrence as a "cause celebre of the liberal left... still being rammed down our throat", and "a 20-year witchhunt while a multitude of British white victims of racist murders and attacks are completely ignored or marginalised".

Golding said of the pictures of the Kent teen-



**LIAR FLYER:** Both families of the dead boys, Michael Chapman (top) and Rob Knox (pictured with his mum Sally), were shocked to find their sons' images had been used

ers: "Let me take a note of these and try to get them removed. I will take a look at that.

"I can confirm though that if they [the families] are upset at the use of the images in our campaign all they had to do is ring our office and we would have immediately removed them from our literature.

"We have received no phone calls or inquiries whatsoever. In fact, to the contrary, we have received a lot of interest and support of this campaign."

When it was pointed out the two teenagers were not the victims of racial attacks, he said: "They wasn't? Right, okay. Well, as I said, I will look in to it and I will remove them."

The images are still included in a video on the group's website, but copies of the flyer are due to be printed with the pictures of the Kent teenagers removed.

## CELEBRATION

### Chinese lantern parade

TUNBRIDGE Wells Arts Partnership is holding a Chinese New Year lantern parade through the town on Saturday, February 4. At 5.30pm the parade will set off from Tunbridge Wells Museum in Civic Way, and move through Monson Road and along Camden Road. The parade will finish at St Barnabas Primary School, with refreshments and a barbeque.

## UTILITIES

### Water supply 'protected'

WORK is due to start next month on a £3 million scheme to protect drinking water supplies in west Kent. South East Water says the new pumping station at its Crampton's Road Water Treatment Works in Sevenoaks is vital as the existing pumping station which draws water from deep underground boreholes on the site is coming to the end of its operational life.

## CRIME

### Rogue traders warning

TRADING Standards is warning of two men knocking on doors in Riding Park, Hildenborough, claiming to be carrying out checks on roof insulation, "working in conjunction with the council". One of the men claimed to be a trainee building surveyor, and neither carried any identification. Suspicion was aroused when a resident noticed they did not even have a ladder.

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**STAR CAST:** Helena Bonham Carter, Hugh Jackman and Russell Crowe are among the Hollywood names starring in Les Misérables, to be filmed in Chatham

FILM

# You could line up with the stars in film version of Les Misérables

By Chris Murphy

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FANCY the chance of appearing in a major musical movie alongside Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe and Anne Hathaway?

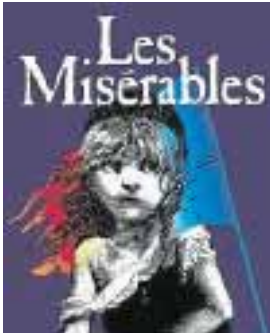
All you need to do is show up to an open casting session in Chatham, and you could be picked to appear in a big screen version of Les Misérables.

And don't worry about thinking you won't be the right age – they need people aged 16-90 – but it will help if you can look French, and from the 19th century.

Amanda Seyfried, Helena Bonham Carter and Sacha Baron Cohen are also set to appear in the film being shot at the Historic Dockyard Chatham.

The session is being run by Uni-versalExtras, based at Pinewood Studios, and at £110 a day, it pays quite well too if you are chosen.

Company spokesman Wayne Berko said: "We are holding an open casting for people to be extras in the musical feature film Les Misérables."



"We need men and women aged between 16 and 90 who will be made up to pretend to be people from 19th century France. The types of role include villagers, passers-by, nuns, students, military officers, and convicts."

"It is quite easy to get in to, but you must be able to take direction well, plus be able to easily reach Chatham."

"Filming itself starts in March depending on what role the successful candidates are handed."

The Historic Dockyard Chatham is no stranger to the big screen, having been used for many blockbusters including Sherlock Holmes starring Robert Downey Jr, as well as The Golden Compass and a couple of Bond movies.

The stage musical of Victor Hugo's Les Misérables novel is a long-running West End hit and tells the story of several French characters over a 17-year period culminating in the 1832 revolution.

And an insider with the producers added: "We can't say too much at the moment, but it does look like we will be at the dockyard, the place is

steeped in history and parts of it are ideal for conversion in to a film set for this sort of project."

The open casting is on Saturday, February 4, at the Rochester Building, University of Kent, Chatham Maritime, between 10am-4pm. The company said it is happy for people to bring along friends and family, too.

Wayne said: "You just never know where it could all lead if your face fits."

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### ➔ Steel firm jobs threat

UNION chiefs have described the collapse of Thamesteel as "devastating" as 400 jobs at the Sheerness factory hang in the balance. Staff were told the Saudi-owned firm had slumped into administration on Wednesday, after hopes of an investment deal with international oil firm Trafigora fell through. It is understood the situation is so dire at the firm, which makes steel products for the construction industry, staff have been told wages will not be paid for this month.

### ➔ New leads in killer hunt

POLICE are following up new leads in the 19-year-old unsolved murder of Claire Tiltman, 16. It comes after an anniversary appeal by her father, Cliff, 62, from his bed in a nursing home, Mr Tiltman said: "It would mean everything to me to find out, after all these years, who did this to Claire." Dartford Grammar School pupil Claire had just turned 16 when she was stabbed in an alleyway just off the busy A226 London Road in Greenhithe on January 18, 1993.

### ➔ Teenage prisoner dies

A 15-year-old boy has died after being discovered unconscious in his cell at the young offenders' institution Cookham Wood, near Rochester.

Alex Kelly was taken to hospital but he died at 7.30pm on Wednesday. The teen had been serving 10 months for burglary and theft from a vehicle. There will now be an investigation by the Prisons and Probation Ombudsman.

CRIME

## Justice catches up with brutal rapist 25 years after his crime

A DRIVING instructor has been locked up for eight years for the rape of a young woman 25 years ago.

Martin Eke (pictured), of Douglas Road in Tonbridge, was found guilty of the 1986 attack on 22-year-old Jacqueline Spriddell after a 15-month investigation by Kent Police's cold case team.

The 46-year-old was trapped by advances in DNA technology after a sample he gave to police following a common assault incident in 2005 was linked to the late-night attack on Miss Spriddell in Folkestone.



She had been on her way home after a night out with friends in October, 1986, when Eke grabbed her by wasteland at Folkestone West train station and raped her.

He claimed the sex had been consensual but was found guilty of rape. He will serve half his sentence and spend the rest of his life on licence.

Miss Spriddell, who suffered kidney problems, died of renal failure in 2000 and therefore never got to see justice.

Speaking after the verdict, her family said: "We are very pleased with the result."

"It comes as an immense relief and at last there is justice for Jacqueline."

Det Chief Insp Rob Vinson, from the Kent and Essex Serious Crime Directorate, said it was tragic Miss Spriddell never saw Eke convicted.

"Jacqueline was a slight girl and didn't drink much because of her health problems and this attack had a huge impact on her life," he said.

"Eke must have thought he had got away with it after all these years."

"He is now behind bars and will be for some time – in a place where he cannot be a danger to anyone else."

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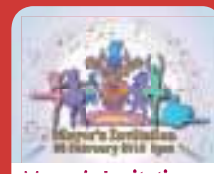
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## FOOD

# MP's company wants to put 'ugly food' back on our dinner tables

By Ed Hill

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STRANGE shaped fruit and vegetables are rarely seen in today's modern supermarkets. Over the years the big retailers have set ever higher standards for the cosmetic appearance of our food.

Now Thanet South MP Laura Sandys wants to set up a not-for-profit company to specifically market so-called 'ugly food'.

She said: "We have had very cheap food in the UK for many years. In some ways this has driven us to value it much less. So while we don't pay much for our food it costs us more money to produce it."

The Tory MP has been discussing the issue with farmers to see why some food is rejected by the supermarkets.

She said: "You see the most amazing reasons. For example, an apple that may not have enough red on one side or too much green on the other."

"These apples do get used in things like apple juice, but obviously at a much lower value."

"Why should an apple that has not enough red or green not be acceptable when it tastes exactly the same?"

The MP estimates that between 10-20 per cent of our food can be rejected, but says it is also more costly for producers who have to ensure it meets the stringent standards set by big retailers.

She said: "They are spending more time and money ensuring this food is absolutely beautiful, which in itself is wasteful."

Mrs Sandys wants to set up a company to market the food under the 'Ugly' brand.

She said: "I am going to be speaking to the National Farmers Union and the British Retail Consortium to see if I can work with them as partners and take this forward."

"Having the word 'ugly' is important as part of the brand because it is also a message as well."

And the MP does not rule out the ugly food being sold on supermarket shelves.

She said: "Once the brand is established it can go into any outlet you wish. I would like to see it in supermarkets, but we would also be looking at smaller retailers and wholesalers who may end up selling it to places like restaurants."

The MP is not restricting the idea just to fruit and vegetables. She also says it could be used to sell fish such as pollock which is often considered less marketable than cod or haddock.

It could also be used to market meats that have fallen out of fashion with the modern consumer.

She said: "Things like kidneys and liver can be delicious, but they are rejected because we have stopped understanding how to cook them."

Most importantly the scheme would be part of trying to reduce ever-increasing food bills and help to make the country less reliant on expensive imports.

The MP said: "We are the largest importer of food in the developed world and one of the reasons we have had high inflation is because commodity prices have gone up when the pound is weak. We are very reliant on imports."



**BIG IDEA:** Thanet South MP Laura Sandys was surprised by what food is classed as unacceptable

"We really need a culture change when it comes to our food."

"It is rising in price which is obviously not desirable for families, so we are going to have to value everything that we grow more."

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Thief stole Christmas

A BURGLAR who stole children's Christmas presents from a home in Aylesford has been imprisoned after leaving his smartphone – worth more than his haul – at the scene.

Daniel Manser, 23, of Malling Road, Snodland, was sentenced to 120 days imprisonment for the offence committed on December 20 in Lunsford Lane, Aylesford. He took presents including DVDs, a bracelet and gift vouchers from under the family Christmas tree.

## 'Don't phone and drive'

DRIVERS are being asked to switch off their mobile phones before turning on their cars. A survey as part of the Kent County Council campaign found that 10 per cent of drivers admitted to using a hand-held mobile phone, and 44 per cent used a hands-free phone, while driving.

It is illegal to use a hand-held mobile phone when driving and if caught, it will result in three points and a £60 fine.

## A good nose for crime

A CANNABIS factory in Maidstone has been shut down after neighbourhood police officers got wind of a familiar scent and followed their noses to an address in Lenside Drive.

Around 20 cannabis plants were discovered in the house.

A 41 year-old man from Bearsted has been arrested on suspicion of cultivating cannabis. He has been released on bail until March 29.

## TRANSPORT

# Tory MPs demand showdown with Cameron over airport proposals

SIX Kent Tory MPs have signed a letter demanding an urgent meeting with Prime Minister David Cameron over proposals to build a multi-billion pound airport in the Thames Estuary.

Chatham's Tracey Crouch, Rochester and Strood's Mark Reckless and Gillingham and Rainham's Rehman Chishti all signed a letter opposing the plans, challenging their Conservative Party leader on his previous assertions there would be no airport in the area.

The letter is also signed by Sittingbourne and Sheppey's Gordon Henderson, Gravesend's Adam Holloway and Dartford's Gareth Johnson.

It comes just a week after a formal consultation was announced by the Government into the proposals.

In the letter sent this week to the PM, it says: "The proposals for an airport in the Thames Estuary do not appear to be supported by the public, or indeed the aviation industry."

"If any such proposal were to go ahead it would have an enormous effect on the lives of hundreds of thousands of residents living in the wider Thames Estuary region and devastate an area of global environmental significance."

"We are also concerned as to how the Government proposes to fund such a scheme given the estimated cost of £50 billion-£80bn based on the proposals set out by Lord Foster."

One plan – put forward by London Mayor Boris Johnson and dubbed 'Boris Island' – would see land in the estuary reclaimed from the sea.

Another, suggested by architect Lord Foster, would see an airport built on Grain.

And while it would create potentially thousands of jobs and inject millions into the local economy, the proposals would also destroy protected areas, turn marshland into industrial sites, and see a huge surge in road traffic.

The letter adds: "We strongly urge the Government not to proceed with these proposals and look instead at fully utilising the capacity of existing airports in the South East, and others such as Birmingham, which will now benefit from the new HS2 high-speed rail link to London in 30-40 minutes."

It also accuses the Government of a U-turn on the plans, pointing out that on October 27 last year, during Prime Minister's Questions, in response to a question from Mr Chishti, "you stated the Government had no plans to construct a new airport in the area".

It added: "The Government's position was recently restated in letters from the minister for aviation, Theresa Villiers" in letters to both Mr Reckless and Ms Crouch.

David Cameron is understood to be open to the suggestion of a meeting as the airport proposals gather pace.

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**HIGH FLYER:**  
Mustafa Azim  
in the cockpit  
of his Cold  
War spy plane  
at Manston



## AIR TRAVEL

## Pilot's joy as oven cleaning expert clears jets in a flash

By Chris Murphy

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WHAT'S more annoying? A filthy oven that sends smoke around your kitchen, or grubby jet engines on your Cold War spyplane?

Well for pilot Mustafa Azim the two problems turned out to be identical – which is where oven cleaning expert Jonathan Chambers came into it.

Mustafa, who was a captain for Air Atlanta, snapped up a Pzłiska TD11 jet, made in Poland using the Russian MiG 15 design.

The spy plane is currently being renovated in a hanger at Manston airport near Ramsgate, but Mustafa had severe engine problems.

He said: "The engine just wasn't running properly, there was a misfire and it was flaming out."

"It needed proper cleaning and I was at a loss to know what to do. My wife Mamu had hired a professional cleaner for our five-year-old oven at home and he made it look brand new."

"I got talking to him and he said an aircraft jet engine is basically a bit like an oven, or at least all the metalwork that surrounds it."

"So I took Jonathan down to Manston and he took a look at my plane and said he could easily do it. I had been to Bulgaria looking for an engineer to do the job and found one that was going to charge me 1,300 euros a day to come over."

"Jonathan said he'd do it over four days for a total of £500. I am very pleased, and the work done so far has been spectacular."

Mustafa, 45, from south London, bought the plane on a whim for just under £7,000 when he was supposed to be getting a new car.

He said: "My wife thought I was crazy."

Jonathan, from Otford, runs his own company Magiclean.

He said: "Basically in an oven there is a lot of burned on carbon and it's the same with the jet parts. I was happy to help out."

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CHARITY

# Monster task is child's play for British Legion as model K'Nex with US truck fans

By Chris Murphy

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IT'S famous across the America, but now the Grave Digger monster truck is alive and well in the county.

Only this one is not about to go out and crush old cars, or leap 15-feet in to the air – even if it is full size.

This extraordinary model is made completely with pieces of the construction toy system K'Nex by Royal British Legion Industries (RBLI).

The monster challenge was an amazing success and has just been revealed to the public for the first time.

The team of people with disabilities and health conditions marked the 30th anniversary of the world famous Grave Digger monster truck and 20th anniversary of K'Nex.

RBLI, a not-for-profit charity and social enterprise based Aylesford, had been working on the top secret project with the live motorsport event Monster Jam and the American construction toy company for the ambitious structure.

It was put together in Kent and then carefully transported to the Monster Jam pre-show party at the Alamodome Stadium in San Antonio, Texas, earlier this month.



**SEEING DOUBLE:** A team from the RBLI used more than 250,000 pieces of K'Nex to build the life-size Grave Digger, one of the most famous monster trucks in America

nio, Texas, earlier this month.

Monster Jam fans were astonished to see the impressive structure, as it 'came alive' after being fitted with custom tyres.

It was a massive project taking months of planning and more than 1,000 man hours to construct using almost a quarter of a million pieces.

The construction team involved in the build was made up of Alec Brown, Judy Barsby, David Church, Sean Reed, Nick Hopkins, Keith Harris, Sean Tuffrey, Geoff Cruden, Graham Cherry, Paul

Norman, Steve Acland and Janice Sylvester.

RBLI provide support and employment to those with disabilities or health conditions, particularly those from the Armed Forces.

All the commercial gains from the Grave Digger project will be re-invested into RBLI's charitable programmes such as LifeWorks which is a guidance course designed for the Armed Forces community, to build on their existing skills beyond their military service.

David Church, head of assembly at RBLI, said: "It's been such an exciting project for us.

"The team here have really come together and shown that despite the challenges faced by their disabilities, no project is too big."

The truck will spend the rest of the year touring North America, accompanied by a specially trained team able to make any necessary repairs.

After the tour, it will take up residence at the real Digger's Dungeon in North Carolina, which is a museum dedicated to the history of the monster truck.

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## HERITAGE

**Forgotten WWII camp that saved thousands of Jews from Holocaust**

**By Nick Ames**

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THE lost story of how the people of Sandwich played a key role in saving thousands of men from certain death at the hands of the Nazis in the Holocaust has been revealed.

In November, 1938, the Nazi authorities in Germany rounded up more than 30,000 Jewish men and detained them in concentration camps.

If the men could get entry visas for foreign countries and emigrate immediately they were allowed to leave.

For those without money or connections abroad it was an impossible race against time.

But more than 4,000 were saved, thanks to a small group of people – the Central British Fund for German Jewry – doing all they could to enable the men to come to Kent and find refuge at Richborough, near Sandwich.

Between February-September, 1939, the men came to Britain on transit visas and were given safe haven at an old and rundown World War One training base – The Kitchener Camp.

BBC TV show Inside Out tracked down the men and women of the time to discover how the locals took the people of another country and culture to their hearts.

Many of the Kitchener Camp veterans were skilled, such as doctors, engineers, builders, writers, musicians, carpenters, and university professors. One was a professional photographer.

They produced numerous diaries, drawings, plans and photographs of rare quality.

Once war broke out most of the men, being German, were considered 'enemy aliens', but were eventually given the opportunity to join the Pioneer Corp and fight for Britain against Germany. In all 3,000 of them signed up.

There is, however, a tragic side to this story.

The men with wives and children expected their families to follow soon after, but circumstances changed quickly. War broke out and most of them could not escape from Germany and died in concentration camps.

Harry Rossney (pictured above) was one of the first to arrive and got the huts ready. He joined the Pio-



**HUMILIATION:** A Jewish man being humiliated by soldiers, a common sight in Germany before WWII

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**CAMP HOPE:**  
The Kitchener  
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Richborough,  
Sandwich, was  
home to  
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Jewish men  
who escaped  
death by being  
transported  
from Germany  
to England

neer Corp after leaving the camp and served in the British Army for six years.

Mr Rossney, 92, now lives in London with his wife after a successful career as a designer, and has family in Cranbrook. He says the camp saved his life.

"I arrived in Kent on March 8, 1939, after I'd been an apprentice in Berlin, at a terrible time as the Nazis took power. Under their laws I couldn't work for an 'Aryan' and the only job I could find was delivering goods on a bicycle," he said.

"I was half Jewish and didn't look particularly Semitic so I didn't have the problems many people had. I could walk the streets without being beaten up.

"But getting to England saved my life, as two weeks later I would have been conscripted into the German Army and that would have probably been the end of me.

"I don't know who put me forward for the camp to this day. All I know is that they saved my life. The area had been acquired by the British-Jewish community to house refugees and they had obtained permission to rebuild it.

But they needed 200 tradesmen and I was a sign-writer, so I was asked to come over. In fact I was number 196.

"When I arrived I was given overalls and rubber boots and we all worked day and night to put up huts, level roads and install such things as showers. Each hut could take 48 refugees and in the end we provided shelter for 3,600 Jews.

"I came to England and couldn't speak a word of the language. But the people and the country were wonderful.

"Even when at school I had loved the idea of England as a sort of fairyland. England in German translates roughly as 'angel-land' and that is how I saw it. The land of angels.

"I tried to fit in as quickly as I could. I loved everything about it, the freedom, the laughing faces, the relaxed atmosphere, the opposite of Germany at the time."

Mr Rossney joined the Pioneer Corps of the British Army, working in the camp and then further afield constructing roads and installations. Three weeks after D-Day he was in France.

He said: "I was happy with my unit,

but orders then came through from General Montgomery's headquarters re-assigning me. I didn't want it, didn't ask for it, but couldn't do anything about it.

"Casualties had been huge and the bodies needed to be buried. I was the only signwriter for a hundred miles so they wanted me to inscribe the names of the fallen onto the hundreds of crosses which had been taken out to France for the military cemeteries.

"Speaking French, German and English I ended up in charge of a team with the rank of sergeant, made up of disabled British troops, German prisoners of war and French civilians."

Other stories of Jews escaping the Holocaust have been well documented such as the work by Oscar Schindler, but in spite of the numbers of people saved, the Kitchener Camp, which was unique, has essentially been forgotten.

Only a few of the men from the camp are alive today.

■ You can watch the BBC programme on the iPlayer at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0071ms1>.

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## CELEBRATIONS

## Throwing a party for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee couldn't be easier

By Marijke Cox

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ROYAL street party fever looks set to sweep the county in June as preparations begin for Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Last year saw Kent topping the list of areas with the most street parties as communities brought out the bunting for the Royal Wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton.

Thousands took to the streets, with more than 180 parties taking place across Kent and Medway.

And if early predictions are correct, there could be even more celebrations this year.

County Hall chiefs have called on the public to seize the opportunity to celebrate the historic occasion.

To prepare for the expected flood of applications, Kent County Council is already inviting residents to apply for road closures over any day during the extended four-day holiday, from June 2-5.

Cabinet member for environment, highways and waste, Cllr Bryan Sweetland, said the authority was waiving charges for street parties on quiet residential roads and cul-de-sacs.

"This 'can do' relaxed approach will allow people to organise a Diamond Jubilee celebration with neighbours in a traffic-free street, giving children the chance to play freely for a change," he said.

"We are aiming to repeat the success of Kent's Royal Wedding street party scheme, when we were one of the top local authorities for the number of residential street parties.

"This was achieved by making the application process very easy. Organisers only have to complete a simple online form.

"In addition, there is no charge for processing applications or for the road closure signs that we will provide.

"This means parties in quiet residential roads and cul-de-sacs can be held for free."

He added: "We wish Her Majesty every happiness and

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hope residents in Kent will seize the opportunity to celebrate this historic occasion."

According to the Local Government Association (LGA), public interest in Royal celebrations has recently soared and predictions suggest the number of street parties will significantly surpass last year's total for the Royal nuptials.

Despite still being five months away, councils are being inundated with enquiries from residents wanting to mark the Jubilee. The deadline for party applications is Friday, May 18.

Organisers can fill in an application form online at [www.kent.gov.uk/news\\_and\\_events/diamond\\_jubilee.aspx](http://www.kent.gov.uk/news_and_events/diamond_jubilee.aspx).

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### POLLUTION

# Contaminated waste ends in fine for landfill company

By Chris Murphy

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A LANDFILL firm ordered to pay a fine and costs of almost £50,000 for polluting earth on its land has refused to talk about the case.

The Environment Agency took legal action against Bournwood Sand and Gravel.

The agency claimed the Swanley company had repeatedly breached its landfill permit. During a hearing, the judge fined the company a total of £10,000 and ordered it to pay £36,000 in costs.

Agency officials visited the site on a number of occasions and discovered lorry loads of contaminated waste being accepted at the landfill site.

The agency said during one tour of the company premises, they were stunned to find what it called "a major leak from an on site diesel tank".

Instead of taking action, Bournwood staff simply ignored it, allowing the toxic flu-



**SPILL:** Diesel was left leaking

id to sink into the ground. The illegal waste and diesel on the site had the potential to form a dangerous cocktail of substances, which could have contaminated groundwater beneath the site, said the agency.

A spokesman said there were a "significant number" of Environmental Permitting Regulation breaches recorded between August 24, 2009, and the December 14, 2009.

The company and one of its directors had already been successfully prosecuted in November, 2006, for offences under the Pollution Prevention and Control Regulations 2000, for

treating and disposing of wastes without a permit.

The District Judge at Hastings Crown Court said Bournwood had shown a cavalier disregard for the regulations.

Afterwards, John Radclyffe, Environment Agency pollution prevention and control officer said: "We witnessed numerous breaches of the permit that is in place to protect people and the environment. When companies disregard their responsibilities there can be a devastating and long lasting effect and the local community left with a dangerous mess to deal with."

"We won't allow waste sites to operate in this way. It is pleasing to see that the courts take an equally dim view of this sort of reckless behaviour."

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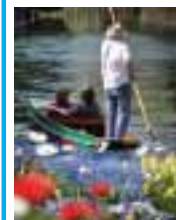
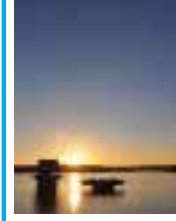


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By Chris Murphy

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A film crew spent two days at Lullingstone Castle, near Eynsford, filming the latest in a series of popular TV ads for the Compare the Market website. It shows Aleksandr providing Sergei with a modern laptop so he doesn't need to slave over his old-fashioned bank of ancient computers.

This new meerkat caper took a day to set up last November, but the family who live at Lullingstone, which opens to the public in April, said they were nervous about letting a film crew in at all.

Visitors to Lullingstone can see the rooms where the advert was filmed – Sergei's IT room is in the Great Hall, Sergei's bedroom is in the ante room and Aleksandr's study was Queen Anne's drawing room.

Anya Hart Dyke said: "My mother Sarah was dubious about it all at first because we were worried about any possible wear and tear and even damage with a film crew in there."

"We were paid, and that money is being spent on the roof and doing some leaks, so it's all being reinvested in the building."

Anya said: "It was amazing to watch – we love seeing the meerkats in rooms that we are so familiar with. Almost every bit of furniture was taken out so they could then put in all that dread-



**FAMILIAR FACE:** Aleksandr in the new TV advert

ful Russian stuff to reflect the era they are in."

She said: "When the location scout phoned the first time I said we'd never done a TV ad before and didn't want cameras in the house because of wear and tear."

"But because these were the meerkats and mother is a big fan, we agreed for them to have a look around."

And Anya gave away a little trade secret – the meerkats do not exist. She said: "They are entirely computer generated afterwards. The cameras are just filming empty space – it was amazing."

"I admitted my ignorance to the art director. She told me most people don't realise they are CGI and they think the meerkats are puppets."

"I thought there would be something physical about them, but there is absolutely nothing."

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## News

### REGENERATION

# 'Deplorable' homes will go if £34m project gets approval

By Chris Murphy

editorial@kosmedia.co.uk

A PROPOSAL for a £34 million regeneration project on the Park Wood estate in Maidstone has been warmly welcomed by one of the ward councillors.

Golding Homes wants to transform the heart of the area which will involve the demolition of 234 flats in the Wallis Avenue area, along with garages and commercial units.

When the site has been cleared, the not-for-profit housing association proposes to build 185 high quality new homes at sensible rentals.

These will predominantly be family houses along with a new shopping area and community facilities, if planning is given the go ahead.

Golding Homes presently provides more than 6,100 homes which include general needs accommodation, sheltered schemes providing housing for older people, and a management service to more than 430 leaseholder properties.

Peter Stringer, Golding Homes' chief executive, said: "These are exciting plans which demonstrate our commitment to improving the quality of housing and community facilities in this area."

Residents living in homes scheduled for demolition will be supported to find a new home

which meets their different requirements.

Golding Homes has experience of large-scale regeneration schemes, having previously completed projects in Bell Road, Park Wood and Coombe Road, Maidstone.

Lib Dem ward councillor Robert Field, who is supporting the scheme, said: "Personally, I feel this is wonderful news. The homes being taken down are in a deplorable state, many are riddled with damp and mould. These are almost impossible to keep warm which leaves vulnerable residents paying high fuel bills.

"To tear down these properties and replace them with modern and sustainable homes has got to be a core council objective."

As for the lower number of homes going back up, he said: "There may be fewer, but they will be slightly larger than at present, making them more suitable for families."

The plans for the area went on display at the Fusion Healthy Living Centre in Park Wood Parade where Golding Homes staff were on hand to answer questions.

Residents were invited to view the plans before they are submitted for planning permission.

Golding wants to start work on phase one later this year and finish by 2016.

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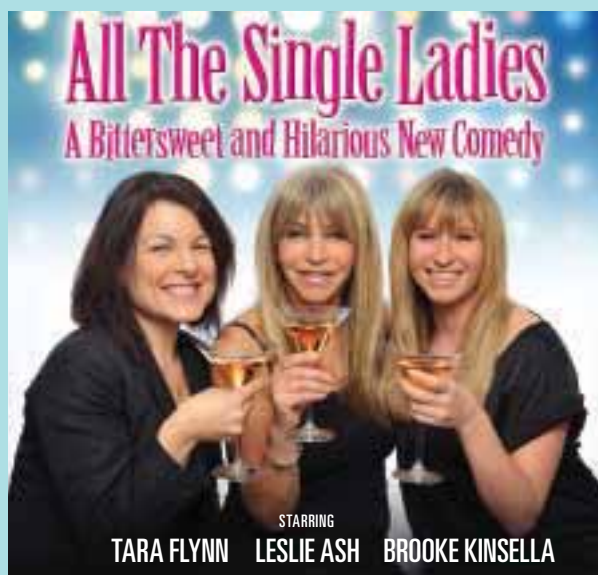
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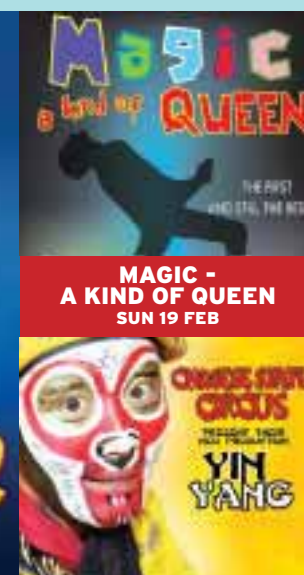




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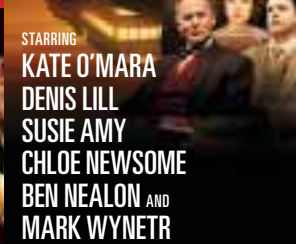
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## CHARITY

# Casts of Kelly Holmes and Olympic heroes on show for Bucks Fizz charity

By Chris Murphy

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A SPECIAL cast of the body of Olympic double-gold medal winning athlete Dame Kelly Holmes is about to be unveiled.

The retired middle distance athlete from Hildenborough agreed to pose to raise funds for Cheryl Baker's brain injury charity, Headfirst.

Bucks Fizz star Cheryl, who lives in Ightham, said she was delighted so many people came forward to help.

Others include gymnast Beth Tweddle MBE, the seven times British, six times European and three times World Champion; athlete Kriss Akabusi MBE – Olympic medallist, World, European and Commonwealth Champion; and Sally Gunnell OBE, the only female runner to concurrently be gold medallist for Olympic, World, European and Commonwealth.

Dame Kelly won gold in the 800m and 1,500m at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens.

With the London Olympics now just months away, body cast sculptor Louise Giblin, from Wadhurst, worked hard to get the five torsos ready for a major exhibition at London's Mall Galleries in May, just two days after the Olympic torch relay starts.

Louise said she uses a special technique developed for body casting subjects. She applies designs to the surface of the resulting clay torso to create a unique sculpture. Each may be reproduced up to 12 times in cold cast metals or bronze. The limited edition series are worth around £10,000 each.

Each athlete will receive one of their cold cast sculptures to keep or sell to raise money for charity, with others from the series being sold with a proportion going to Headfirst.

Louise said: "I'm impressed by people who commit to goals with determination as this makes them powerful; these Olympians are awe-inspiring, both physically and mentally."

"London 2012 is an opportunity for me to work with extraordinary people, celebrate British success and raise money for a great cause."

Louise uses plaster-impregnated body and head casts from which she creates a clay posi-

tive. This is carved for up to eight weeks prior to firing in a kiln. It is then primed and moulded using silicone, resin and fibre glass.

The mould is used to make a wax copy for bronze casting or a cold cast metal copy using

powdered precious metals and resin.

Louise said: "They can have a life expectancy of up to 3,000 years."

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**GENEROUS:** Louise Giblin has created the casts, including this one of Dame Kelly Holmes, for Cheryl Baker's Headfirst charity

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## KENT REMEMBERED



# House needs a little help from its friends

By Chris Murphy

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A WORLD famous and historic Medway landmark is in need of care and is appealing for residents to help in its rebirth.

The newly formed Friends of Eastgate House need help this year after they were awarded a development grant of up to £80,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

It is part of a £1 million grant application to restore the building and transform it into an exhibition gallery and community space where all kinds of events can be held.

The Heritage Lottery Fund has been working with the council during the first phase of development work, which includes creating a Friends' group in support of the project.

The group's first meeting was held last week to shape the way the building with its 16th century interior is used in the future.

It is generally closed to the public but, with the help of volunteers, that is set to change.

The Friends' group was established to give people a chance to support Eastgate House even if they do not have time to give up to volunteer.

The work is worthwhile – Eastgate House is steeped in history and is an instantly recognisable building in Rochester, often favoured by filmmakers, particularly if there is a Dickens connection.

Also, its Grade-I listed status makes it nationally important. Architecturally, it is one of



**THE FUTURE:** Supporters are needed for Eastgate House

the finest town houses of its period in Kent, if not in England.

The ownership and occupancy is a complex tale.

Five generations of the Buck family were associated with the house. The first two, both named Peter, held high office under the Crown and in 1604 Peter II became Clerk of the Cheque at Chatham.

The Buck family's connection with the house appears to have ended in 1687 although there may have been a family connection with the next owners, the Parkers.

The Parkers were followed by the Bartholomews, who held the house until the mid-18th century.

Then in 1761 the house was held by Annabel Darwin, but possibly let to tenants. James Reed was the occupier in 1791 and it may have been Reed or his widow who first set up a school there.

By 1841 it was under the governorship of Rebecca Norton and there were 14 board-

ers. It was in this guise that Charles Dickens incorporated it – as The Nuns' House – into his last, unfinished, novel *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*.

It once again became a private dwelling in the 1870s, as the home of Samuel Shaw, a wholesale coal merchant.

Its transition to a young men's hostel in 1890 appears to have been fairly brief as it had become a temperance restaurant by 1897, when Rochester City Council resolved to turn it into a municipal library and museum in celebration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. Conversion for that purpose cost £3,000 and seems to have taken some time, as it was not officially opened as the museum until 1903.

In 1923 an extension to the museum, a new formal garden and a caretaker's cottage – Eastgate Cottage – were funded by a legacy from Thomas Hell-year Foord, a member of a local shipbuilding family. The architect was Sir Guy Dawber, who also designed the Foord Almshouses in Priestfields.

The Dickens Chalet was relocated here from Cobham Hall in 1961. In 1979 the museum was moved to the Guildhall, and Eastgate House, including the Foord Annex, became the Dickens Centre, with displays devoted to the author's life and works. Dawber's garden layout was replaced by the present one in 1981.

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OPINION

# I will put the victims first

Police and Crime Commissioner hopeful Colonel Tim Collins wants us all to play our part in tackling crime in Kent and catching criminals

SINCE I announced last October that I wanted to be Kent's first elected Police and Crime Commissioner, I have been talking to people across the county, listening to their views and sharing mine.

One message has come through loud and clear: policing matters. That is why it is so important that in the coming months we have a sensible debate about policing and crime.

Sir Robert Peel, the founder of modern policing, said: "The police are the public, and the public are the police."

I believe strongly the people of Kent need to feel a greater degree of ownership over their force – not in the sense of interfering with operational independence, but in having a bigger role in how it is run and how they're given information about what is done and why.

I want to overhaul the Special Constabulary and create

valuable new ways of volunteering in a police reserve.

At its peak, the country had over 136,000 specials – Kent now has fewer than 400. There are many fine men and women serving the community in this capacity, but I want to introduce a new tier which is around people giving what time they can, and ultimately acting as a strategic reserve to be used during crisis situations (such as last August's disorder which gripped the country) or for use on days of action when particular crime types are focused on and the county is locked down for the criminal.

I would like to see a council tax discount for those who volunteer to serve, as a thank you for their contribution.

I want greater transparency of operational information to harness and engage the power of the people in solving crime. For example, why shouldn't

we have a local equivalent of the sort of top 10 'wanted list' that you see the FBI use to great effect? Shouldn't we all be contributing to running down the criminals causing the greatest harm in Kent and working with the force to bring them to justice? Working together, we can make a difference.

Victims should be updated and have complete transparency about every stage of their investigation, with an audit trail of who has done what and when to bring offenders to justice. I will ensure that if you are a victim of crime, you will have a right to that information in an easily accessible format.

And the wider public too must know not just that crime has been committed, but what the outcome of the investigation and the court process was.

There is one group who seem to me to get the worst deal in the criminal justice system,



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It seems to me that victims get the worst deal in the criminal justice system

and that is victims. Once a victim experiences the criminal justice system, they believe it to be less fair and their confidence drops compared with the expectations of non-victims.

A third of people feel that victims' rights are respected, compared to 80 per cent who think the rights of criminals are respected.

This needs to be turned on its head, and the police, the courts, and the Crown Prosecution Service need to put the victim first in everything they do.

Charging decisions need to be faster and in the interests of the victim not some set of Whitehall targets.

Justice needs to be faster, and not dragged out to suit the felon. The criminal needs to be afraid of committing crime in Kent, and victims must know that the system is on their side.

■ Col Tim Collins lives in Whitstable

## KOS COMMENT

We're on the road to a solution – at long last

FINALLY the Government has seen sense and is planning to charge foreign hauliers for using our roads.

It may have taken 20 years of campaigning to reach this point, but we got there in the end.

Not only could the £10-a-day charge help pay for major road projects like the Third Thames Crossing or a solution to Operation Stack, but it could – and should – fund repairs on the M2 and M20 caused by the thousands of lorries that use Kent's roads every day.

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## Original tower raffle mystery

CORRECT me if I am wrong, but wasn't there a sale of raffle tickets for charity with the winner given the opportunity to press the button to 'blow-up' the Richborough Towers? I think this sale was in the 1990s.

Would be interesting to know whether the winning ticket holder is still alive?

Do other readers remember this occasion?

**John Grand,  
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## Medway's not ready for this

I'M SORRY, but I do not agree with the proposed airport on the Thames Estuary, my reasons being:

In all the talks I see no mention of the affect to the Medway towns. There only

has to been an accident on the M2 closing the motorway, and the all of the Medway towns are at a stand still. And as for the Wainscott bypass at peak times – it's traffic jams.

I feel that it will be one big disaster for all.

**Mrs Harris, by email**

## Manston right path for MPs

WHEN will politicians think with their heads, and not what is good for them in the longer term.

Manston has to be a far better option to develop than a completely new venture in the Thames Estuary.

I agree that Boris Johnson seems to be thinking about himself, yet again, and it would seem his fellow Tories are supporting him because of the upcoming mayor election.

Manston has all the basics needed, and development of the airport would be faster, cheaper, and would generate

much-needed employment – both during and after the development.

What do people have to do to make politicians think logically?

**Rod Charman, by email**

## A new airport is just the job

HAVING read last week's article by Ed Hill and the mass hysteria by the media, I really do wish there could be a more honest and balanced debate about the airport issue.

I do not know or have spoken to anyone who is opposed to this airport.

North Kent is in serious need of the employment this would bring. A cursory visit to many of the towns in the area would show the general decay, rundown high streets and poor investment.

This modern airport with modern aircraft would have far less impact than the millions of tonnes of freight coming into the UK via the

container port at Grain or along the two main arterial routes through Dover.

We in the South East have not fared as well as many of our northern towns have in terms of investment. When politicians join the fray and voice their opposition there is usually a hidden political agenda and their views should be carefully scrutinised.

Are they reflecting the views of the majority? I think not...

Evolution means we are no longer living in caves.

Airports are being built all over the globe, each and every one will impact on the natural environment in some way, but nature adapts and re-adjusts – it always does.

This airport is badly needed, our area is in much need of employment and here is a 'gift horse' the like of which we have not seen in decades.

If we do not build this airport someone else will. So my message and that of my friends and acquaintances and probably the silent majority is

'bring it on!', let's put Kent on the world stage.

**John Moore, by email**

## Polite drivers drive me mad

CAN we please put an end to the well-meaning scourge of our already-overcongested inner city road networks; the Gives Way Unnecessarily driver.

These pointlessly care-free, courteous motorists pull in at the mere sight of a parked car, before merrily flicking their lights to allow the driver heading in the opposite direction an obstructed route onto their destination.

All well and good when the road is narrow. But when the distance between the edge of the parked car and the other side of the road is greater than the combined width of two Sherman tanks then there is no need to give way.

By grinding to a halt behind the parked car, 'allowing' the approaching vehicle to

proceed, all the Gives Way Unnecessarily driver has achieved is adding more time to their journey, and, more importantly and frustratingly, added more time to mine and the others behind me.

Motorists, please take heed.

**Simon Robinson  
(battling each morning to  
reach) St John's Road,  
Tunbridge Wells**

## All aboard the railway fiasco

MP Sir Roger Gale (KoS, January 22) is totally right in that the fast train route should be extended to Thanet.

At present the current, so-called, high-speed service has lengthened the journey times for the vast majority of rail users in Kent and in most cases times were quicker by steam trains (e.g. London to Whitstable was regularly achieved in under one hour yet the high-speed train takes about one-and-a-half hours).

Drivers are complaining that these 'kamikaze' trains are holding up the proper trains. It would be better if these were kept to lines which are supplied with 25kV AC power.

In reality from St Pancras to Ashford, with a connecting service at Ebbsfleet for north Kent towns, Medway and eastwards would be better off with a non-stop service (from Chatham) to Victoria or London Bridge.

It would be quicker for Ramsgate if a fast service went to London Bridge with stops only at Canterbury and Ashford.

Another fiasco is Eurostar...

Consider a passenger who wants to travel, by train, from Kent to the south of France. Eurostar suggest that they first go to St Pancras then to Paris Nord and cross Paris to Paris Lyon. What tosh, when there is a perfectly good service from Lille Europe to both Perpignan and Marseille that does not go through Paris.

It would be very easy to blame all this on Sir Roger as he supported the privatisation of the railways, but I believe he did not approve of the way they were privatised.

The Loonies would nationalise the rail service and bring back Thomas the Tank Engine managed by the Fat Controller.

**Sheikh Mihad  
(aka Jackie Davidson)  
Sittingbourne Loonies**

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## Business Week

Your business is our business

New foundation chief  
eyes challenge ahead

PARTNERSHIPS: Alastair Upton

By Nick Ames

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ONE of the guiding lights who helped make Liverpool's tenure as European City of Culture such a success has taken the role of chief executive at the Creative Foundation, the organisation tasked with regenerating Folkestone through the arts.

Alastair Upton, 48, moved with his family to the south Kent town from Merseyside on taking up the role this month.

He says he is looking forward to the new challenge but feels the regeneration of a town is something that takes place over some years.

"You cannot achieve it in a short period of time – regeneration is a multi-generational project," he said.

"Education is one of the key points. The Creative Foundation has already brought higher-education opportunities

to the town and we want to work alongside schools to give young people the chance to take part in creative studies.

"These need not be just traditional arts – they can be such things as media, web design or advertising. Then, by attracting businesses in this sector to the town, we can create job opportunities for them."

Upton sees parallels between Folkestone and Liverpool.

"Liverpool is a post-industrial city, with its shipbuilding and a port which is still there but does not employ people in the same number as it did in the past," he said.

"Then there are all the merchant jobs that went alongside it as a major maritime city. It used to be Britain's second city – even being referred to as the second city of empire."

"The parallel with Folkestone, a former fishing port with cross-Channel links which was a major holiday resort in

Edwardian times, is that both places had a clearly-defined sense of who they were, which because of the times we now live in is no longer the case.

"For Liverpool it was the decline of heavy industry and for Folkestone changing patterns for holidays."

During his time on Merseyside, Upton ran Bluecoat, Liverpool's oldest building situated on a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Recognised as the city's creative and artistic hub, it played a central role in the 2008 City of Culture activities, which saw 15 million visits to arts venues and events, a rise of 30 per cent on 2007.

The Liverpool Culture Company, the umbrella group for the event, reported an £800 million boost to the region's economy.

Warren Bradley, then leader of Liverpool City Council, said: "The experience of being European capital of culture has re-

shaped Liverpool – the way it looks, thinks and acts."

Referring to that pivotal year, Upton said: "Bluecoat was re-developed for the year, with greater retail facilities as well as staging major events. We also held outreach programmes bringing our projects to some of the harder-to-reach areas."

"The event made an enormous difference to the way the city was perceived."

"Of course it could not address all the issues, but from being a place associated with crime and poverty it became recognised for culture. This, in turn, brought tourists and greater inward investment."

"There are areas of significant deprivation in Folkestone and the Creative Foundation is tasked to help them."

Upton feels that the Triennial, which he first heard about when working on arts projects in Brighton, is a key part of the Folkestone renaissance.

"It has a very high reputation, both across the UK and abroad, putting the town on the contemporary-arts map" he said.

"But it is one part of the challenge facing the Creative Foundation. We also need to focus on the day-to-day challenges, such as retail. We have a vibrant, intensely-successful place in the Creative Quarter and we need to build on it."

"One of the things we did very successfully in Liverpool was to forge partnerships with other organisations."

"We need to work creatively and imaginatively with other organisations for our mutual benefit."

## TRAINING

## That Nail And Beauty Place is the centre for learning

THAT Nail And Beauty Place, in Folkestone, has been a highly-successful business for over 15 years and has a wide reputation for professionalism and customer service.

A trend-setter within the industry, it was the first salon in the area to offer airbrush tanning, coloured gel nail treatments, eyelash extensions and semi-permanent make-up.

The company is fully endorsed with professional standards and has a fully-accredited training academy that can offer qualifications recognised within the industry and will satisfy insurance criteria.

It recruits, trains and places apprentices in nail and beauty salons in Kent and partners large training organisations such as K College and Keith Graham Hair Academy

The company also offers work-based courses as well as private sessions, which means visiting salons across the county to help up-skill the workforce. This helps small businesses



to improve their profit margins.

The company can also offer fully-funded NVQ qualifications in beauty therapy or nail services as well as a different learning environment.

The firm has a roll-on roll-off schedule, which means trainees can start as soon as they like without

having to wait until September.

That Nail And Beauty Place does not discriminate about your circumstances – anyone can apply and the academy has guaranteed placements that are funded.

It also offers treatments by the students at cost price and can be phoned on 01303 256305.

## GROWTH

## Lab expands with new equipment

ASHFORD-based Medical Engineering Technologies has added new space and equipment to its laboratory in Stanford North.

The company supplies support and analytical services to medical device, personal care and pharmaceutical manufacturers.

The new suite includes gas chromatographic mass spectroscopy. The extreme sensitivity of this method allows the analysis of a large range of materials and so the service is useful in forensics, drug analysis, process testing in plastics and metal production, soil analysis and for contamination investigations. A current project searches for residual chemicals on eye surgery blades.

Managing director Mark Turner said: "We are proud of our expanding facilities. We endeavour to provide exemplary service to our clients."

"This and the reliability of our work has led to considerable expansion of our company in recent years. Our team really do work diligently to produce accurate results, often when working to challenging time requirements."



## Business Week

For more business news go to [businessforkent.co.uk](http://businessforkent.co.uk)

## ENVIRONMENT

## Car-wash firm is Hands On for eco efforts

EBBSFLEET manual-car-wash company Hands On has been recognised for its commitment to developing an environmentally-friendly hand-car-wash service at a private awards ceremony held at the Houses of Parliament.

The business was presented with the Green Mark Level 2 award by Adam Holloway, MP for Gravesham, and commended on its drive to take lasting action.

Hands On was awarded Green Mark Level 1 in 2009 for its environmentally-friendly approach to car washing. The company has now progressed to the higher Level 2 award, demonstrating its commitment to environmental responsibility and the value it brings to the company.

Bob Dine, commercial director, said: "We are absolutely delighted to pick up yet another environmental award acknowledging our efforts to provide a truly green service for our customers."

"It's taken five years of reviewing and refining every single process, material and procedure to get to this stage, but we're now confident that we offer customers a far greener way to clean their cars without having to compromise on quality."

"While we're incredibly proud of our achievements so far, we know this is an ongoing journey and we're determined to continue developing our processes to further reduce the environmental impact of the business."

# Biz Buzz makes a big deal of enterprise and creation

By Nick Ames

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A NEW initiative to promote business in the county has taken place in Deal in the form of the Kent Biz Buzz.

The venue was the Astor Community Theatre and companies from east Kent and farther afield used it as an opportunity to network.

The event was set up to offer a taste of the enterprise and creativity that local businesses are undertaking at a time when the economic climate is uncertain and many companies are facing problems.

In his introduction to Biz Buzz, Keith Morrison, of Ascenda Strategy And Marketing, said its objective was "to make it clear that east Kent is well and truly open for business".

Speakers included Naz Khaliq, of the Dynamix Group, which provides development and consultancy support; social media and online expert Jo Dodds; customer-service adviser Graham Seymour; and personal and career-development coach Gillian McDonagh.

A team from HM Customs was also on hand to advise on tax responsibilities for businesses and a private session for some of the exhibitors was organised with Bank of England deputy agent Alex Gollidge as keynote speaker.

One of the sponsors was national business 4Networking, which held sessions in networking to get the event off to a good start.

Managing director Terry Cooper said: "I go to events like this all across the country and this is a particularly good one. There is a really positive atmosphere around."

Peter Varrall, of Deal-based Castles, which specialises in removals, storage and shipping, was one of the exhibitors.

He said: "I am very pleased to be here and have received a lot of enquiries."

Carol Wilkinson, of Alpaca Creative, based in Ash, said: "There has been a real buzz about the place, so it has lived up to its name."

Sharing her stand was Nigel Stevenson, of the



**BUZZ:** There was a great atmosphere at the event

Deal website-design company Oast House Media. He said: "These events are something I would like to see more of as they really do bring businesses together, enabling them to network

and work with each other as well as share expertise. Word-of-mouth referral is the best sought there is and I am seeing plenty of that taking place."

## ANNIVERSARY

## Birthday celebrations heat up with a full year of offers and giveaways

SWALE Heating is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2012 and will be sharing the occasion with customers.

To mark the anniversary, the company has joined forces with Worcester Bosch to give away prizes valued at £2,000.

Worcester Bosch, a part of the international Bosch Group, is recognised as a market leader in household technology. It celebrates 50 years in business in 2012 and its collaboration with Swale Heating marks the shared anniversaries.

Matthew Edwards, Swale Heating sales director, said: "It is an achievement for any business to reach its 40th anniversary, but to be able to work alongside such a global brand is a very proud moment for Swale Heating."

"It is also very generous of Worcester Bosch to pledge these prizes to our

customers. At a time when many people are tightening their belts and large household items are perhaps seen as a luxury, this giveaway should give four lucky winners a great start to 2012."

In addition to its partnership with Worcester Bosch, Swale Heating plans a year-long series of 2012 anniversary celebrations for customers and staff.

Edwards said: "We employ more than 400 staff in Kent and look after 100,000 customers. All these people play a part in our business and its ongoing success. As we look forward to the next 40 years we want to say thank you."

Until Saturday, March 31, every person who calls Swale Heating for a quote on a new Worcester boiler will be entered into a monthly prize draw to win £500 of Bosch appliances.

## AWARD

## 'Extra mile' Canterbury hotel picks up top gong

THE Holiday Inn Express Canterbury has been awarded the Hotel Of The Year award at the Annual Hotel Stars Awards held in Oxford.

The event is organised by the InterContinental Hotels Group, which runs Holiday Inns.

This category recognises hotels that have achieved outstanding results and have gone the extra mile to exceed expectations when looking after guests, employees and also the community.

Anoob Saban accepted the award for Holiday Inn Express



Canterbury and said: "This award recognises all the hard work and team effort we've put in this year."

"We're constantly striving to go the extra mile so guests can expect a consistently top-notch experience when visiting

our hotel and we'll continue to work together to keep delivering the same experience each year."

Christopher Rawstron of the hotel's parent company said: "We are fully committed to supporting and developing our people – our hotels are only as good as their staff."

"We aim to provide the right environment, support and inspiration they need to fulfil their capability and these awards are a reflection of the fantastic talent we have working in our hotels across Europe."





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## SKILFUL KENT

# Careers advice a click away for those wanting to raise their prospects

WEBSITES continue to be a way for those looking to increase their skills in the workplace to gain valuable information.

Prospects.ac.uk attracts more than 40,000 daily browsers and has the highest number of page impressions recorded since before the recession, according to the latest figures from the Audit Bureau of Circulations Electronic (ABCe).

The figures show the Graduate Prospects website's status as one of the biggest and busiest sources for student and graduates careers information, advice and jobs.

There continue to be more than one million monthly unique browsers on Prospects.ac.uk and page impressions have leapt to 2007 levels at a daily average of 200,309.

Mike Hill, chief executive of Graduate Prospects, said: "Despite the difficult economic climate,

we haven't stopped investing in our business and our profile, and we continue to cut through what is a challenging and volatile market by improving, growing and diversifying.

"There are becoming fewer channels of careers support available and therefore people are coming to us for information and advice. These are uncertain times, so people are turning to sources that they trust."

Prospects.ac.uk traffic has been boosted by improvements to the website, new and engaging content, further investment in online marketing and search-engine optimisation.

Mr Hill said: "The high and sustained traffic to our website is also testament to our close partnership with university careers services, and I'd like to thank their staff for directing students and graduates to our pages."



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Every child is allowed to develop their individuality and grow into confident, polite and caring adults.

Whether a child is academically-minded or excels in sports, music or the arts, the school prides itself on the ability to provide tailored education to meet the needs of every individual.

The school is continually developing its facilities to ensure that children of today and tomorrow have the ability to benefit from both traditional and modern facilities and technologies.

Current developments include a new theatre and girls' boarding house, both of which are due for completion in the summer of 2012.

Pupils and staff are proud to be part of the St Lawrence College community and to reinforce how great the school is; it has recently had an Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) inspection, from which the school received an 'excellent' report, commending the school in aspects across all years.

Highlights from the ISI inspector's findings included:

- The quality of the pupils' personal



development is outstanding

- The quality of the teaching throughout the school is excellent
- Pupils' awareness of their own and other cultures is excellent
- Pupils of all abilities achieve highly, in all aspects of their learning, at all stages of the school

The full inspection reports are available on the school website.

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A key contribution of the agency is its support of adults with learning difficulties, in homes and in the community, so that they can lead as independent lives as possible.

It has established a reputation for responding quickly, providing the highest standards in professional care and exceeding expectation in terms of client satisfaction.

In a changing business environment, CNCA maintains the highest traditional standards but offers innovative solutions to the modern care industry. It can provide trained, qualified staff at a moment's notice; and it develops flexible long-term programmes that provide clients with the right kind of carers exactly where and when needed.

CNCA has rigorous training induction procedures for its own staff and has established a Training and Assessment Centre to provide in-house NVQ supervision and assessment for all major care disciplines.

Every day it looks to see where it can improve, accepting and understanding its responsibilities. It will act without hesitation to do all that is required and more.

Sometimes people face 'extraordinary' problems in their lives, some expected, others unique situations that occur out of the blue.

What is meant by 'extraordinary' is a problem faced outside the realm of 'ordinary' lives.

For instance, a loved one might be enduring some form of physical disability, or a family

member experiencing the after-effects of a serious operation; a child might be born with severe learning difficulties, or autism; or, indeed, a parent could have grown too old to safely fend for themselves.

Each situation poses its own problems and difficulties. Each comes wrapped in its own unique circumstances, not only for the family, but more importantly for the person who requires support and care to help them live as 'ordinary' a life as possible.

If you are facing an extraordinary situation, the question is: 'Where do I turn for help?'

The first port of call is usually, and appropriately, Social Services, who will try to help find a solution to your problem.

Unfortunately, many changes are taking place in the care sector and more emphasis is placed on the individual to arrange their own carers.

Herein lies the difficulty and possibly another dilemma for the family. CNCA has been helping people throughout Kent for more than 13 years, supporting families and their loved ones at home with qualified carers and support workers.

All staff undertake rigorous police and other statutory checks, a full induction process that examines both their qualifications and references and have regular training designed to keep them one step ahead of requirements.

Once a comprehensive needs assessment is carried out, the appropriate care is delivered and maintained.

CNCA operates a 24-hour service 365 days a year, manned by care coordinators who have detailed knowledge of each individual's needs.

Kim Stevens, chief executive officer of CNCA, said: "We are committed to providing the best care services and the best care training in the region."

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## Training, courses and careers

### College shops to get students jobs

MIDKENT College is launching two specialised JobShops.

Located at the Medway and Maidstone campuses, the JobShops will advertise vacancies and match employers with suitable candidates.

They will also offer tailored support to help students with application forms, interview techniques, CV writing, and more.

Henry Nydam – chairman of Kent Invicta Chamber of Commerce – officially opened the Medway Campus JobShop at a ceremony last week.

He said: "With youth unemployment at record levels it has become incumbent on all educational and business organisations to do all we can to address the situation.

"We need to give young people some hope that they will be able to advance their careers, and something like the JobShop will be a fantastic help.

"It's a one-stop shop for information, advice and guidance, and I urge all local employers looking for skilled staff to make full use of it."

Government figures released earlier this week show that there are now more than a million young people without a job in the UK.

This means the unemployment rate in the 16-24-year-old age bracket now stands at 22.3 per cent.

### Daniel's creating a 'Buzz' at firm

A student on work placement at Buzzlines Travel Ltd in Hythe has won accolades at the National Placement and Internship Awards 2012.

Daniel McAllister, a student from the University of Sheffield was the winner of the Best Student Contribution to a Small or Medium-sized Enterprise Award, which recognises the student who had exceeded expectations and genuinely made a significant impact to the business as a whole.

During the first six months of his placement, he had created a whole new brand under the name The Buzz Student Travel which has since been gaining acclaim as a provider of student weekend tours.

Daniel is currently completing a 12-month placement with Buzzlines Travel Ltd, which specialises in coach holidays, day trips and private and corporate coach hire.

Daniel said he "couldn't have done it without the support of everyone at the company".

Managing director Nigel Busbridge said he was pleased to be able to offer students the opportunity to have a real impact and a proper job within a business and allow their ability to shine.

# Work experience in football up for grabs

GILLINGHAM FC have joined forces with npower to launch What's Your Goal – a nationwide work experience scheme designed to inspire young people in Medway to explore the vast and varied careers found in football.

Working in partnership with Gillingham and the Football League Trust, npower is seeking to support young people's employment opportunities for the future, by showcasing the wide range of job opportunities available within football and demonstrating that you don't have to be the star player on the field to make your mark in the industry.

What's Your Goal? 2012 will see electricity supplier npower work with Gillingham and the other 71 clubs in the Football League to offer more than 300 valuable work experience placements to school children in Years 10-11 in their local areas.

In addition to the placements, npower is also offering youngsters the chance to win a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to spend a day being mentored by the WYG 'Dream Team'. Children in Years 7-11 are invited to apply for the chance to gain first-hand experience of working life by spending time with experts such as Karren Brady and Robbie Savage and trying out their coveted jobs for themselves.

Having proved their worth after submitting a CV and video evidence demonstrating their enthusiasm, 11 young people will be chosen to take on roles

such as being a pundit with Robbie Savage at the npower Championship Play Offs; helping Karren Brady make boardroom decisions at West Ham, and putting a team of professional players through their paces working as first team coach with Paul Trollope at Birmingham City FC.

Footballing people such as Reading FC owner Sir John Madejski, Cardiff City FC manager Malky Mackay, and Sasa Ithringova the Football League's most senior female referee, have also come on board to support the initiative.

Karren Brady said: "npower's What's Your Goal 2012 is a fantastic way to show young people that you don't need to score goals to shoot to the top in the football industry.

"Whether you're passionate about business, photography, presenting or refereeing the nation's favourite sport, this scheme offers young people a great way to learn skills from the best in the business."

Robbie Savage said: "I've worked in the football industry for over 20 years and I've loved every minute of it. A lot of people look at football and don't see how much effort goes into each and every match but we're here to show young people just how many opportunities there are – and not all of them mean you have to be able to kick a ball."

To enter, students are asked to fill out a job application, downloadable at [www.npower.com/whatsyourgoal](http://www.npower.com/whatsyourgoal).



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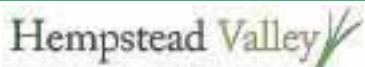
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### Skippers

The ideal candidate must possess previous experience at sea on 10m to 22m vessels, using a variety of propulsion methods. As a minimum, Yachtmaster commercially endorsed, and an ENG-1 medical certificate are required. A VHF, First Aid and sea survival certificates would be an advantage as would experience of training support staff in boat operations. Experience with Information technology is essential. We have several experienced support staff as well as those beginning their careers at sea, so your ability to encourage and guide is important.

The successful candidate must be able to demonstrate their boat handling skills, leadership qualities and problem solving abilities. Your calmness, confidence and initiative will be key to your success as one of our skippers within our team.

### Able Seamen

In this role we are looking for individuals who have commercial and or leisure boat experience in an all-round support role. Your positive attitude and approach to the work and practical learning will be key to your success and progression. You must be someone who can accurately follow instructions and take responsibility for given tasks, working closely with and providing support to the Skipper regarding all aspects of vessel operations.

**Working for Coastal Services**, is physically demanding and will require nationwide travel and periods of time away at sea. We do operate on rotations appropriate to contract, usually 16 days on (including travel) and 14 days off, but for ALL the above roles you will need to be flexible and willing to work outside the core business hours on occasions. Ideally we are looking to recruit people from the localities of our contracts, but this is not essential.

**If you are interested in working with us, please send your CV and Cover Letter via e-mail detailing your experience, skills and qualifications along with your availability to Rob Rae, Recruitment Coordinator at [robert.rae@gardline.co.uk](mailto:robert.rae@gardline.co.uk)**

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Medway and Maidstone Campus

This new role has been developed to ensure successful performance of the faculty in the changing educational landscape and to move it from good to outstanding. We are looking for an experienced and 'can do' person to support the Head of Faculty in the operational leadership of our Foundation Learning and Learning Support departments. The successful candidate will be a qualified teacher with up to date experience in post 16 education and teaching, ideally in Foundation Learning and/or Additional Learning support. He or she will be a good communicator and have experience of managing a team.

### Apprenticeship Manager

Ref: P0071

Salary: £24,842 - £31,516 per annum (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
Medway and Maidstone Campus

We are looking to recruit an exceptional candidate to join our Business Development Team to promote/market, co-ordinate and audit the College Apprenticeship programme. Responsibilities will include liaising with external organisations and managing the apprenticeship delivery within the curriculum areas. The successful candidate will have proven experience in managing and/or auditing WBL programmes and should have excellent communication and ICT skills.

### Lecturer in Plumbing

Ref: P0396

Salary: £24,146 - £31,218 per annum (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
Medway Campus

We are looking for an enthusiastic, highly motivated and well-organised lecturer to join our Plumbing & Heating section in the Faculty of Construction and Building Services. The successful candidate will be required to teach and assess on Plumbing, Heating Renewables or Gas - Building Services Engineering from Level 1 up to Level 3. The successful candidate will be qualified as an Advanced Plumber/Gas installer with significant practical experience in the BSE industry. The post holder will hold, or be willing to work towards, a recognised assessor and teaching qualification. Hourly paid positions also available. Please state your preference on application.

### Lecturer in Health Care

Ref: P0323

Salary: £24,146 - £31,218 per annum (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
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We are looking to appoint an experienced candidate to deliver Health Care programmes at various levels. The successful candidate will have the ability to motivate students and be flexible and adaptable in their teaching methods. The applicants must have a relevant vocational/academic qualification and have, or be willing to work towards, a teaching qualification. Recent industry experience would be advantageous.

### Lecturer in Health and Social Care

Ref: P0485

Salary: £24,146 - £31,218 per annum (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
Maidstone Campus

We are seeking a knowledgeable individual to deliver CACHE Health and Social Care programmes at various levels. The successful candidate will be flexible and adaptable in their teaching methods and have current knowledge and practical experience of the Health and Social Care Industry. The applicants must have a relevant vocational/academic qualification and have or be willing to work towards, a teaching qualification.

### Student Financial Support Advisor

Ref: P0781

Salary: £13,807 - £18,066 per annum (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
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We are looking to recruit an excellent candidate to provide friendly and approachable assistance to students throughout the College. The successful candidate will process applications to the student support funds, administer the resulting awards and communicate the outcomes to students and college departments via telephone, email and post. The ideal candidate will have proven experience within a customer service environment and a Level 2 qualification in business admin or equivalent.

### Hourly paid Lecturer in Painting and Decorating

Ref: SESS09

Hourly Rate: £21.49 - £28.20 hourly (dependent on qualifications and experience)  
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The College is seeking an outstanding candidate to deliver Painting and Decorating courses on levels E3, 1&2. The successful candidate will have proven knowledge and experience within the Painting and Decorating sector. We are looking for an interactive team member with strong communication skills. The ideal candidate will hold, or be willing to work towards, a recognised teaching qualification.

### Hourly paid Lecturer in Hairdressing

Ref: SESS87

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**Closing date: Wednesday 1 February, 2012.**

The College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau check in accordance with the College procedure.

Application forms and further details are available from [www.midkent.ac.uk](http://www.midkent.ac.uk). Alternatively, please e-mail [job.applications@midkent.ac.uk](mailto:job.applications@midkent.ac.uk). For individuals without access to e-mail or the internet please call the HR department on 01634 383102 (24 hour answer machine). In all communication with the College please quote the appropriate job title and reference number.

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### IT Technician

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The applicant must have a minimum of three years' experience in an IT environment with knowledge of an RM network and school's chosen software packages in order to maintain the system to ensure the Internet and all software is available as a teaching tool. They will be expected to maintain and update the school website and have an exciting vision for use of IT which will inspire and enthuse all within the school setting.

The school is committed to promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children.

All appointments are subject to obtaining a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure. The closing date for applications is 3 February 2012, and interviews will be during the week commencing 6 February 2012.

To obtain an application form and job description, please contact the school on 01474 352488 or email [office@doover-road.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@doover-road.kent.sch.uk) alternatively apply via [Kent-teach.com](http://Kent-teach.com)

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(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of essential bridge repairs, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ashford Road, Hamstreet, from Saturday 4 February 2012 at 00.05 hours until Monday 6 February 2012 at 05.00 hours, or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the railway bridge, with no access through the village.

The alternative route is via Ashford Road, A2070 Hamstreet By-pass, Marsh Road and The Street.

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(ESSELLA ROAD)ASHFORD  
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Section 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all the other enabling powers, has made an order, the effects of which would be to:-

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A copy of the Order, which comes into operation on 30th January 2012, an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of road concerned may be inspected during normal office hours in the offices of the Ashford Borough Council, Ashford Gateway Plus, Church Road, Ashford TN23 1QX and Kent County Council, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone ME14 1XX.

Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Orders or of any provision contained in them on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or any instrument made thereunder, or that there has been a failure to comply with any statutory requirement in relation to the Orders.

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THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
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(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works to lay phone ducting in the carriageway, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Hinxhill Road, Ashford, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 2 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with The Street and Goodcheap Lane.

The alternative route is via Hinxhill Road, The Street, A2070 Kennington Road, Willesborough Interchange, A20 Hythe Road, Bockham Lane and Plumpton.

SANDYHURST LANE, ASHFORD (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works to refurbish the motorway bridge, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Sandyhurst Lane, Ashford, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the bridge over the M20.

The alternative route is via A20 Maidstone Road, Fougères Way, A251 Trinity Way and Faversham Road.

The planned work times are from 8.30 am until 5.00 pm with the road re-opened outside these hours with traffic controlled by temporary traffic lights.

STATION ROAD, SMEETH, ASHFORD  
(10 MPH SPEED LIMIT) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

For the safety of the public and workforce during the refurbishment of bridge expansion joints, Kent County Council intends to make an Order imposing a temporary maximum speed limit of 10 miles per hour on Station Road, Smeeth, Ashford on or after 15 February 2012 for up to 3 days or until the works have been completed.

This affects the section of road in the vicinity of the bridge over the M20.

The Order applies when the relevant signs are on display, and is in conjunction with temporary traffic lights and a "Convoy System" to escort traffic through roadworks.

The speed limit will be implemented when it is not safe to work without this restriction.

THE STREET, MERSHAM  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works to refurbish, rewaterproof and resurface the bridge deck, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Street, Mersham, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 2 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the bridge over the M20.

There will be no access for through traffic between the A20 Hythe Road and Mersham via The Street.

The alternative route is via The Street, Kingsford Street, Highfield Lane and A20 Hythe Road.

HIGHWAYS - District of Canterbury

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(FORDWICH ROAD, CANTERBURY)  
(WIDTH RESTRICTION) ORDER 2012  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 1984

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL, acting as the local traffic authority and in exercise of their powers under sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the said Act of 1984, hereby make the following Order:-

Schedule  
(Width Restriction)

Road Name	Length of road affected
Fordwich Road, Canterbury	From its junction with Brooklands Close in a southerly direction for a distance of 110 metres.

Full details are contained in the Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Sessions House, Maidstone ME14 1XQ, between 8.30am and 5.00pm and at Canterbury City Council, Council Offices, Military Road, Canterbury during normal opening times.

Anyone wishing to support the new proposal or object to the proposed Order should send the grounds in writing to: The Traffic Schemes and Member Highway Fund Manager, Kent County Council Highways, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to TRO@kent.gov.uk by noon on Monday 27th February 2012.

HAM SHADES LANE, WHITSTABLE  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works requiring underground access to provide a new phone service, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ham Shades Lane, Whitstable, on or after 31 January 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of 52 and 54 Ham Shades Lane.

There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions with Oakwood Drive and Foxgrove Road.

The alternative route is via Church Street, A2990 (Old) Thanet Way and Foxgrove Road

NACKINGTON ROAD, CANTERBURY (10 MPH SPEED LIMIT) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

For the safety of the public and workforce during the refurbishment of bridge expansion joints, Kent County Council intends to make an Order imposing a temporary maximum speed limit of 10 miles per hour on Nackington Road, Canterbury, on or after 18 February 2012 for up to 3 days or until the works have been completed.

This affects the section of road in the vicinity of the bridge over the A2 Trunk Road.

The Order applies when the relevant signs are on display, and is in conjunction with temporary traffic lights and a "Convoy System" to escort traffic through roadworks.

The speed limit will be implemented when it is not safe to work without this restriction.

The planned work times are from 9.30 am until 3.30 pm each day.

STUPPINGTON LANE, CANTERBURY  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works to replace bridge parapets, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Stuppington Lane, Canterbury, on or after 17 February 2012 for up to 4 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the bridge over

the A2 Trunk Road.

The alternative route is via Merton Lane, B2068 Nackington Lane, Old Dover Road, Ethelbert Road and South Canterbury Road.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(A290 WHITSTABLE ROAD, BLEAN)  
(RESTRICTED ROAD TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that Kent County Council propose to make the above named order under Sections 82 (1) and 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:-

The effect of the order will revoke the order: The Kent County Council (A290, Blean) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2004. By revoking this order Whitstable Road, Tile Kiln Hill and Blean Hill A290 will become a (30mph) restricted speed road by the presence of street lighting.

Full details are contained in the Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Kent County Council Highways, Javelin Way Ashford, TN24 8AD, between 8.30am and 5.00pm, and at Canterbury City Council, Military Road, Canterbury, during normal opening times.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should send the grounds in writing to the Traffic Schemes and Member Highway Fund Manager, Kent County Council Highways, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to TRO@kent.gov.uk by noon on Monday 13th February 2012.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Dartford

MANOR ROAD, SWANSCOMBE  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council Has make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Manor Road, Swanscombe between Swanscombe Street, Betsham Road and Rectory Road.

The Order will become effective on 30th January 2012, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 3 weeks. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Gunn Road and Rectory Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Gas main replacement works.

HIGHWAYS - District of Dover

ASH ROAD LEVEL CROSSING, SANDWICH  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of level crossing maintenance works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ash Road Level Crossing, Sandwich, on 18 February 2012 between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm.

The alternative route is via Ash Road, A256 Sandwich By-pass, A258 Deal Road, New Street, Cattle Market, Harnet Street, (High Street, The Chain and Galliard Street in reverse) and Strand Street.

BROOKFIELD AVENUE & MINERVA AVENUE, DOVER  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of carriageway repairs, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Brookfield Avenue & Minerva Avenue, Dover, on or after 13 February 2012 between 7.00 am and 4.00 pm.

MINERVA AVENUE, DOVER will be closed at the junction with Heathfield Avenue.

The alternative route is via Barton Road, Nightingale Road and Mayfield Avenue.

BROOKFIELD AVENUE, DOVER will be closed between the junctions with Park Road and Buckland Avenue

The alternative route is via Brookfield Avenue, Old Park Road, Crabble Hill and Buckland Avenue.

BROOKSIDE, TEMPLE EWELL  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of carriageway patching works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Brookside, Temple Ewell, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 1 day between 8.00 am and 3.00 pm, or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed from the school gates to the foot of Church Hill.

There is no alternative route as the road is a No Through Road. Every effort will be made to maintain access whenever it is safe to do so, but there will be times when this is not possible.

Pedestrians can use the footbridge to Mill Street.

CHURCH HILL, EYTHORNE  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of gas mains replacement works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Church Hill, Eythorne, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Shepherdswell Road and Barfestone Road / Adelaide Road.

There will be no access for through traffic between the Eythorne and Elvington via Church Hill.

The alternative route is via Shepherdswell Road, Long Lane and Barfestone Road using the un-named road joining them.

COXHILL, SHEPHERDSWELL, DOVER  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of phone cable replacement works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Coxhill, Shepherdswell, Dover, on or after 16 February 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of Halfway Street, preventing through access for its entire length.

The alternative route is via Westcourt Lane, Westcourt Road, A2 Dover Road, Coldred Hill and Coldred Road.

GOLF ROAD, DEAL  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of carriageway repairs, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Golf Road, Deal, planned to be from 16 February 2012 until 24 February or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed from the junction with Ethelbert Road to the Chequers Public House.

There is no alternative route. Every effort will be made to maintain access whenever it is safe to do so, but there will be times when this is not possible, and delays are to be expected.

RICHBOROUGH LEVEL CROSSING, RICHBOROUGH  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of level crossing maintenance works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Richborough Level Crossing, Richborough, from Saturday 18 February 2012 at 00.35 hours until Sunday 19 February 2012 at 06.20 hours.

Richborough Road, Richborough will be closed at the level crossing.

The alternative route is via A256 Sandwich By-pass, A257 Sandwich Road, Cooper Street Drive and Richborough Road.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS, NONINGTON, DOVER)  
(SPEED LIMITS) ORDER 2012  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 1984

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL, acting as the local traffic

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authority and in exercise of their powers under sections 82, 83 and 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the said Act of 1984, hereby makes the following Order:-

1.

The lengths of road described in the Schedule 1 to this Order shall become restricted for the purposes of Section 81 of the Road Traffic Act 1984.
2.

No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of road specified in the Schedule 2.

Schedule 1 (Restricted Roads)	
Beauchamps Lane, Nonington	From its junction with Easole Street in a north-westerly direction for a distance of 100 metres.
South Avenue, Snowdown	From its junction with Aylesham Road in a south westerly direction to its junction with The Crescent.
The Crescent, Snowdown	From its junction with Aylesham Road in a south westerly direction to its junction with South Avenue.

Schedule 2 (Road subject to a speed limit of 40 mph)	
Aylesham Road, Snowdown	From a point 50 metres north of its junction with The Crescent in a southerly direction to its junction with Holt Road.
Holt Road, Nonington	From a point 11 metres south west of its junction with Aylesham Road in a easterly direction to a point 28 metres west of its junction with Butter Street.
Sandwich Road, Nonington	From a point 250 metres east of Mill Lane in easterly direction to a point 20 metres east of the access to Beech Grove.

Full details are contained in the Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Sessions House, Maidstone ME14 1XQ, between 8.30am and 5.00pm and at Dover District Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Whitfield, Dover, during normal opening times.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should send the grounds in writing to The Traffic Schemes and Member Highway Fund Manager, Kent County Council Highways, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to [TRO@kent.gov.uk](mailto:TRO@kent.gov.uk) by 12 noon on 27th day of February 2012.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Gravesham

**ARTHUR STREET, GRAVESEND  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic in Arthur Street, Gravesend with the junctions of Clifton Grove to Wrotham Road.

The Order will become effective on 13th February 2012, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 15 days. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Arthur Street, Darnley Street, Darnley Road, Old Road West and Wrotham Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate a Gas main replacement.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Maidstone

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(BOUGHTON ROAD, BOUGHTON MALHERBE)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Boughton Road outside of Boughton Place on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 3 days or until such works are complete. The alternative route is via Chain Gate Road, Liverton Hill, Headcorn Road, Church Road.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to install a new telegraph pole. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Craig Self of Carillion Telent on 01842 762973.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(HORSESHOES LANE, LANGLEY)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Horseshoes Lane from B2163 Leeds Road to outside number 19 on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 7 weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Heath Road, B2163 Leeds Road. Southern Water Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to replace the rising main. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Laura Carlisle of Clancy Docwra on 01403 282848.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PILGRIMS WAY, HOLLINGBOURNE)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Pilgrims Way from the junction of Broad Street Hill west for 50 metres on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 3 weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Pilgrims Way, Water Lane, Roundwell, Azo Ashford Road, Eyhorne Street, Pilgrims Way.

KCC Highways apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to install a new soak away to prevent flooding. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Jamie Finch on 08458 247 800

HIGHWAYS - District of Sevenoaks

**BILLET HILL, ASH CUM RIDLEY  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Billet Hill, Ash Cum Ridley between Crowhurst Lane and The Street.

The Order will become effective on 13th February 2012. It will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months. The restriction will be effective when required and when the appropriate signage is in place. The works are planned to last for 5 days.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: The Street, Ash, Ash Road, Stanstead, Ash Lane, Stanstead, Azo London Road, West Kingsdown and Crowhurst Lane, West Kingsdown.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway patching works on behalf of KCC Highways.

**BRADBOURNE ROAD SEVENOAKS  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Bradbourne Road, Sevenoaks.

The Order will become effective on 12 February 2012 and will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence on 13th February 2012 and will last 1 week. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Amherst Road and St Johns Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate a new water connection.

**COLD ARBOUR ROAD, CHEVENING SEVENOAKS  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Cold Arbour Road, Chevening between junction of A25 Westerham Road and Bessels Green Road.

The Order will become effective on 12 February 2012 and will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence on 13 February 2012 and will last approx 2 days. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: A25 and Bessels Green Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway patching works.

**HARTFIELD ROAD EDENBRIDGE AND HARTFIELD ROAD COWDEN-  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic travelling at any speed greater than 40mph on Hartfield Road Edenbridge and Hartfield Road Cowden.

The Order will become effective on 12th February 2012 and will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence on 13th February 2012 and will last 5 weeks. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The purpose of the restriction is to create a safe working area.

**WESTERHAM ROAD, CHEVENING  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Eastbound A25 through junction area with M25 (northbound). (Access to M25 Northbound will remain open, only from eastbound A25.

The Order will become effective on 12 February 2012 and will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence on 17th February 2012 and will last 3 nights (23.30 - 05.00hrs). These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: B2211 Chevening Road, A224 Morants Court Rd, London Rd.Eastbound Hgv's use M25 northbound and turnaround at 1st exit (Jct 4).

Westbound Hgv's for M25 North use A21 southbound and turnaround at 1st exit (Morley's roundabout).

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway resurfacing works.

HIGHWAYS - District of Shepway

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(A260 CANTERBURY ROAD, HAWKINGE)  
(50MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2012**

Notice is hereby given that the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under section 84(1), (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (hereinafter called "the Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act,

The effect of the Order introduces a 50 mph speed limit in Canterbury Road (A260), Hawkinge on the following length of street:

From the junction with Spitfire Way to a point 183m northwest of the junction with Holywell Avenue.

A copy of the Order, statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, a map indicating the location and the effect and a copy of any other Orders which were amended by the Order may be examined at the Council Offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Kent, CT20 2QY and at Kent County Council, Ashford Highway Depot, Henwood Industrial Estate, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD.

The Order was made on 25 January 2012 and will come into operation on 30 January 2012.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make an application to the High Court for this purpose.

**HORN STREET, SEABROOK, HYPHE  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to provide a new electricity supply, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Horn Street, Seabrook, Hythe, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Seabrook Vale and Valestone Close.

There will be no access for through traffic between Seabrook and Cheriton via Horn Street.

The alternative route is via Horn Street, A259 Seabrook Road, Hospital Hill, West Road, Pond Hill Road, Church Road and Horn Street.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(A259 LYDD ROAD, NEW ROMNEY)  
(50MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2012**

Notice is hereby given that the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under section 84(1), (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (hereinafter called "the Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act,

The effect of the proposed Order will introduce a 50 mph speed limit in Lydd Road (A259), New Romney on the following length of street:

From a point 120m west of Spitalfield Lane to a point 62m west of B2075 Romney Road.

A copy of the Order, statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, a map indicating the location and the effect and a copy of any other Orders which were amended by the Order may be examined at the Council Offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Kent, CT20 2QY and at Kent County Council, Ashford Highway Depot, Henwood Industrial Estate, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD.

The Order was made on 25 January 2012 and will come into operation on 30 January 2012.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make an application to the High Court for this purpose.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(B2068 STONE STREET, LYMINGE)  
(50MPH AND 50MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2012**

Notice is hereby given that the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above named Order under section 84(1), (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, (hereinafter called "the Act") and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with paragraph 20 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act,

The effect of the Order introduces a 40mph and a 50 mph speed limit in Stone Street (B2068), Lyminge on the following lengths of street:

50mph - From a point 179m north of Hempsted Lane to a point 85m north of Farthing Common.

40mph - From a point 85m north of Farthing Common to a point 69m south of Blind House Lane.

A copy of the Order, statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, a map indicating the location and the effect and a copy of any other Orders which were amended by the Order may be examined at the Council Offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Kent, CT20 2QY and at Kent County Council, Ashford Highway Depot, Henwood Industrial Estate, Javelin Way, Ashford, TN24 8AD.

The Order was made on 25 January 2012 and will come into operation on 30 January 2012.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such

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enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make an application to the High Court for this purpose.

**THE CRESCENT & WILBERFORCE ROAD, SANDGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of sewer repair works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Crescent & Wilberforce Road, Sandgate, as shown below.

**THE CRESCENT** will be closed to through traffic in the vicinity of numbers 30 to 37, from 30 January 2012 for up to one week.

The One-way Traffic Orders will be suspended in respect of The Crescent, and Wilberforce Road from the eastern junction with Sandgate Road to the junction with The Crescent, to allow access.

The alternative routes are either via The Crescent, or via Wilberforce Road and The Crescent.

**WILBERFORCE ROAD** will be closed in the vicinity of Southover Court, from 6 February 2012 for up to 1 day.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of Wilberforce Road will be suspended between the junctions with The Crescent and Hill Side to allow access up to the point of closure from either direction.

The alternative route is via The Crescent and A259 Sandgate High Street or via the west section of Wilberforce Road.

**TONTINE STREET, FOLKESTONE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

To enable the safe placement of a mobile crane to install a tower crane, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Tontine Street, Folkestone, on or after Sunday 19 February 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

Tontine Street will be closed between the junctions with The Old High Street and Dover Road / Grace Hill.

The alternative route is via A260 The Tram Road (with suspension of one-way), Southern Way, Dover Road, Hill Road, Canterbury Road, Black Bull Road, A2033 Ford Road North, New Street, Bradstone Road and Dover Road.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of Tontine Street will be suspended from the junction with The Old High Street to the point of closure and from the point of closure extending along the western spur of Tontine Street to the junction with Grace Hill, for access only.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of The Tram Road will be suspended from Harbour Street to the junction with Morrison Road (where it becomes 2-way).

The Orders preventing traffic turning left from Martello Road, Ryland Place, London Street and Elmstead Place will be suspended.

Waiting will be prohibited in Tontine Street on the north east side, from a point in line with the boundary wall of numbers 32 -34 and 26 - 30 south eastwards to a point in line with the boundary walls of numbers 24 and 20 - 22.

Waiting will be prohibited in The Tram Road on the north west side, from the centre line of the junction with Elmstead Place south westwards for a distance of 32 metres.

Both waiting restrictions take effect from 6.00 pm on Saturday 18 February until 8.00 pm the following day, and will apply for the corresponding times if these works are postponed.

If weather prevents these works going ahead on the planned date, they will be deferred until one of the following 2 Sundays.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, THE DISTRICT OF SHEPWAY) (RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING) CONSOLIDATION ORDER (AMENDMENT NO 11) ORDER 2012**

The KENT COUNTY COUNCIL in exercise of their powers has made the above named Order under section 1, 2 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order will be:-

	Location	Proposal
1	Brockhill Road/ Seaton Avenue, Hythe	Double yellow lines at the junction
2	Coolinge Lane/ Westbourne Court, Folkestone	Double yellow lines at the junction

The Order was signed on the 25th day of January 2012 and will come into force on 30 January 2012.

Full details are contained in the Order which together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of the Council's reasons for

proposing to make the Order, may be examined at Kent County Council, Ashford Highway Depot, Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford, Kent, TN24 8AD and at the offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, during normal opening hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make application to the High Court for this purpose by noon on 12 March 2012.

John Burr

Director of Kent Highways

The Order was made on 25 January 2012 and will come into operation on 30 January 2012.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make an application to the High Court for this purpose.

**HIGHWAYS - District of Swale**

**AVENUE OF REMEMBRANCE, SITTINGBOURNE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of tree safety works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on the cul-de-sac section of Avenue of Remembrance, Sittingbourne, on or after 15 February 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

Avenue of Remembrance will be closed in the cul-de-sac section, in the vicinity of Tynan Cottage.

There is no alternative route as this section of the road is a No Through Road.

**RAWLING STREET, MILSTEAD, SITTINGBOURNE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to replace a telegraph pole, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Rawling Street, Milstead, Sittingbourne, on or after 15 February 2012 for up to 3 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Horn Hill and Mintching Wood Lane.

The alternative route is via Horn Hill, Bottom Pond Road and Broadoak Road.

**VARIOUS ROADS, SWALE (JANUARY 2012) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway patching works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Various Roads, Swale, on or after 30 January 2012 as shown below.

**CHAUCER ROAD, SITTINGBOURNE** will be closed at the east junction with Homewood Avenue on or after 30 January 2012 for up to 1 day.

Access remains available from the west junction with Homewood Avenue.

**PETTIFIELD HILL ROAD, THROWLEY** will be closed between the junctions with Old Hockley Road and Church Road, on or after 31 January 2012 for up to 1 day.

The alternative route is via Old Hockley Road and Church Road.

**MOUNT LANE, HARTLIP** will be closed between the junctions with Lower Hartlip Road and The Street, on after 1 February 2012 for up to 1 day.

The alternative route is via Lower Hartlip Road, Hollow Lane and The Street.

The planned closure times are between 9.30 am and 3.30 pm, with the roads re-opened outside these times.

**HIGHWAYS - District of Thanet**

**BROAD STREET AND WOODFORD AVENUE, RAMSGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**  
**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of sewer repairs, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Broad Street and Woodford Avenue, Ramsgate, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 2 weeks, as shown below.

**BROAD STREET** will be closed at the junction with School Lane.

The alternative routes are

Westbound via Hardres Street, Boundary Road, Chatham Street, High Street and Church Hill

Eastbound via Broad Street, Church Hill, High Street and Hardres Street.

**WOODFORD AVENUE** will be closed to through traffic in the vicinity of properties 39 - 69.

Access is possible from either direction up to the point of closure

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (BROADLEY ROAD, THANET) (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) ORDER 2012**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made an Order under sections 1(1) and (2), 2(1) to (3) and 3(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The Order will have the following effect:-

**SCHEDULE**

**BROADLEY ROAD** Prohibition of driving of motor vehicles, from the junction with Dane Valley Road to the junction with St Peters Footpath.

Exemptions are provided in the Order for the maintenance of the public highway; for the maintenance of the railway, and its associated structures; for the laying, erection, alteration or repair of public utility apparatus; for agricultural purposes; and for any occasion when it is being used for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes.

A copy of the Order, which comes into operation on 30 January 2012, an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of road concerned may be inspected during normal office hours at Kent County Council, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XQ; or at Thanet's Gateway Plus, Cecil Street, Margate, Kent, CT9 1RE.

Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Order or of any provision contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or of any statutory requirement in relation to the Order.

**LOMBARD STREET & MARKET STREET, MARGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of gas mains replacement works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Lombard Street & Market Street, Margate, on or after 31 January 2012 for up to 10 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in phases working between the junctions with Hawley Street and The Parade.

The phases are detailed as follows

**PHASE 1 - LOMBARD STREET** will be closed between the junctions with Hawley Street and New Cross Street.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of New Cross Street will be reversed.

The alternative route is via Market Street, New Cross Street and New Street

**PHASE 2 - LOMBARD STREET / MARKET STREET** will be closed between the junction with New Cross Street and the entrance to Market Street car park.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of Market Street will be suspended between the entrance to the car park and the junction with High Street.

The alternative route is via High Street, Queen Street, Cecil Square, Hawley Street, New Street and New Cross Street

**PHASE 3 - MARKET STREET** will be closed between the entrance to the car park and the junction with High Street.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of Lombard Street / Market Street (Market Place) will be suspended between the junction with New Cross Street and the entrance to the car park, to allow access.

The alternative route is via High Street, Queen Street, Cecil Square, Hawley Street, New Street and New Cross Street

The timing and duration of the phases is subject to weather and ground conditions. The exact dates will be locally advised and signposted on site.

**MONKTON ROAD, MINSTER & MONKTON STREET, MONKTON (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway patching, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Monkton Road, Minster & Monkton Street, Monkton, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in phases working from the junction with High Street / Tothill Street towards the gated junction with the A253 Canterbury Road.

The alternative route is via Willetts Hill, A299 Canterbury Road West, Tothill Street and Monkton Road.

Side roads will be closed at their junctions with Monkton Road / Monkton Street as the works progress, with local diversions signed on site where available.

Certain sections of the road have no alternative routes and every effort will be made to maintain access whenever it is safe to do so. There will be some times when this is not possible, and delays are to be expected.

A further closure will be necessary later in the year for resurfacing.

**WEST CLIFF ROAD, RAMSGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway resurfacing, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on West Cliff Road, Ramsgate, on or after 13 February 2012 for up to 5 nights or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in sections between the junctions with Grange Road and Addington Street, as signposted on site.

The road will be closed between 7.00 pm and 7.00 am each night, and re-opened outside these hours.

The alternative routes are

**Eastbound** via Grange Road, St Augustine's Road, Paragon, Royal Parade, Leopold Street and Queen Street

**Westbound** via Elms Avenue, Ellington Road, South Eastern Road and Grange Road.

Works will be done by UK Power Networks, Southern Water and KCC during the same closure.

**HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tonbridge & Malling**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (HIGH STREET AND ROCHESTER ROAD, AYLESFORD) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING RESTRICTION) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on High Street at the junction with Forstal Road/ Rochester Road and prohibiting parking on Rochester Road from junction of the High Street to the junction of Powell Close. This order will commence on or after Monday 30th January 2012 and be in place when required for a period of up to 8 weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via High Street, Bull Lane, Pilgrims Way, Rochester and Vice Versa.

Kent County Council apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential drainage works. Should you require any further information the contacts for the scheme are Kevin Gore or Jamie Finch on 08458 247800.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (THE STREET, IGHTHAM) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on The Street from the junction of Fen Pond Road to Busty Lane on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 5 days or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Sevenoaks Road, A25 Ightham Bypass, A227 Borough Green Road and for Large Goods Vehicles via A227 to Tonbridge, Borden, A26 Hadlow Road, Tonbridge, A26 Tonbridge Road, Hadlow, High Street, A26 Maidstone Road Hadlow, B2016 Seven Mile Lane, A20 London Road, A25 Maidstone Road, Borough Green, A25 Sevenoaks Road,

For further information, please contact  
Kent County Council Highways and Transportation,  
on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
or visit [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)



Borough Green, A227 Borough Green Road.  
KCC Highways apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to replace pipework linking three gullies and raise dropped kerbs. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Alastair Coleman on 08458 247 800

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(HALE STREET, EAST PECKHAM)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC TURNING LEFT)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic from turning left into Seven Mile Lane from Hale Street on or after Thursday 2nd February 2012 for a period of up to 2 weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via B2015 Maidstone Road to the roundabout and return.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to gain access to an underground structure to provide a new service. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Rachel Cross of A plant Lux Traffic Controls on 0370 0500792.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(A26 VAUXHALL LANE, TONBRIDGE)  
(40MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because of the likelihood of danger to the public using a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic traveling at any speed greater than 40mph on A26 Vauxhall Lane from A26 Pembury Road to A21 northbound slip road on or after Monday 30th January 2012 between 19:00hrs and 07:00hrs for a period of up to 10 working nights or until such works are completed.

Balfour Beatty Mott MacDonald apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for resurfacing works. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Yan Wei on 0203 433 2101.

**HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tunbridge Wells**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(BEDFORD ROAD & FORGE ROAD, SOUTHBOROUGH)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Bedford Road and on Forge Road between Edward Street and Norton Road on or after Monday/Tuesday 13/14th February 2012 for a period of up to 1 day or until such works are complete.

The alternative route For Bedford Road is via Western Road, Edward Street, Meadow Road and for Forge Road via Norton Road, Western Road, Edward Street.

KCC Highways apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for carriageway patching. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Jonathan Dean on 08458 247 800.

**For further information, please contact  
Kent County Council Highways and Transportation,  
on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
or visit [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(CLAYHILL ROAD, LAMBERHURST)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Clayhill Road from B2169 Furnace Lane to Mount Pleasant on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 2 months or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Mount Pleasant, Mount Pleasant Lane, Parsonage Lane, B2162 School Hill/The Broadway, B2100 High Street/Town Hill, B2169 Furnace Lane.

KCC Highways apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for bridge repairs. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Colin Garner on 08458 247 800.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(LADHAM ROAD, GOUDHURST)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Ladham Road on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 2 weeks or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Jarvis Lane, Chequers Road.

UK Power Networks apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to lay a new cable. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Derek Petts of TMS Ltd on 01622 632519.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(B2160 MAIDSTONE ROAD, PADDOCK WOOD)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC  
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on B2160 Maidstone Road outside Lymons Farm on or after Monday 13th February 2012 for a period of up to 1 day or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via B2160 Maidstone Road, Mascalcs Court Road, Chantlers Hill, B2160 Maidstone Road.

KCC Highways apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for carriageway patching. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Donna Cuthbertson on 08458 247 800.

**John Burr  
Director Kent Highways  
Invicta House  
County Hall,  
Maidstone  
Kent ME14 1XQ**

**Dated 29th January 2012**




**KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND  
CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004  
APPROVED PREMISES FOR  
CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS**

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant a renewal of an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **The Ferry House Inn, Hartly Ferry Road, Isle of Sheppey**  
Applicant: **Alex Burden**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the renewal of the grant of approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

Giles Adey  
Head of Registration  
Regulatory Services  
First Floor, Invicta House,  
Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX



**KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND  
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APPROVED PREMISES FOR  
CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS**

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **Hythe Town Hall, Hythe High Street, Hythe**  
Applicant: **Mrs Margaret Stewart**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

Giles Adey  
Head of Registration, Regulatory Services  
First Floor, Invicta House, Maidstone,  
Kent, ME14 1XX



**PLANNING**



## Planning applications

**Notice under Article 8 of the Town & Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995**  
**Notice under Section 67 and/or Section 73 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990**  
**Notice under Regulation 5 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990**  
**Notice under Regulation 5A of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004**

The following applications have been submitted for consideration by the council:

**CA/11/01399/FUL: Basement Flat, 51 Old Dover Road, Canterbury, CT1 3DE** Replacement window. **Applicant: Ms Taylor**  
Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/01944/FUL: Sports Centre, The University of Kent , Blean CT2 7NZ** Erection of two-storey extension to provide fitness centre and studio, new four badminton court sports hall and re-configuration of car park. **Applicant: Saunders Boston Limited** Reason: Major development.

**CA/11/01954/FUL: 3 High Street, Canterbury, CT1 2JH** Installation of replacement shopfront awning and alterations to existing lighting.  
**Applicant: Mr Groucutt** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/02136/FUL: Meadow View, Canterbury Road, Herne, CT6 7JY** Two-storey and single-storey extensions to side elevations of annexe.  
**Applicant: Mr T Wells** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/02181/FUL: St Lawrence Cricket Ground (KCCC), Old Dover Road, Canterbury, CT1 3NZ** Installation of plant machinery.  
**Applicant: Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/02182/ADV: St Lawrence Cricket Ground (KCCC), Old Dover Road, Canterbury, CT1 3NZ** Erection of store signage.  
**Applicant: Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/02198/FUL: Canterbury Baptist Church, St George's Place, Canterbury** Erection of glazed lobby to front elevation, installation of railings on existing front wall and alterations to rear elevation. **Applicant: Canterbury Baptist Church** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/12/00039/FUL: 17 Tankerton Road, Whitstable, CT5 2AB** Erection of detached garage/store. **Applicant: Mr S Pywell**  
Reason: Conservation area.

Any representations should be sent in writing to the Head of Planning and Regeneration, Canterbury City Council, Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW or e-mailed to [development.control@canterbury.gov.uk](mailto:development.control@canterbury.gov.uk) to arrive on or before **Monday 20 February 2012**.

The weekly list of applications can be viewed on our website at: [www.canterbury.gov.uk/dc](http://www.canterbury.gov.uk/dc)

**Ian Brown, Head of Planning and Regeneration**  
**Friday 27 January 2012**

**Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act (2004)**

**Town and Country Planning (Local Development)(England) Regulations 2004 - Regulation 17**

Tunbridge Wells Borough Local Development Framework

Notice of Public Participation - Local Heritage Assets Supplementary Planning Document

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council has prepared the Local Heritage Assets Supplementary Planning Document which, when adopted, will form part of the Local Development Framework (which provides the basis of decisions on land use and spatial planning affecting Tunbridge Wells Borough).

Public consultation commences on **Monday 30 January 2012** and runs for six weeks until **Sunday 11 March 2012**.


The consultation will consist of the Local Heritage Assets Supplementary Planning Document and response form, which can be viewed and downloaded at [www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk/lha](http://www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk/lha), or you can respond directly online at <http://consult.tunbridgewells.gov.uk>. The documents can also be viewed at the following locations for those without access to a computer:

- Tunbridge Wells Gateway**, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, TN1 2AB. The Gateway is open from 9am-5pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 9am-6.30pm on Thursdays; and 9am-1.30pm on Saturdays
- Weald Information Centre**, The Old Fire Station, Cranbrook, Kent TN17 3HF; open from 8.30am-5pm (Monday to Friday)
- All libraries** in the Tunbridge Wells Borough area. Please check with the particular library for opening times

Representations can be returned as follows:

- Online at <http://consult.tunbridgewells.gov.uk>
- By e-mail to [planning.policy@tunbridgewells.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@tunbridgewells.gov.uk) (using the editable response form)
- By post to Planning Policy, Planning Services, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 1RS (using a printed response form)
- By fax to 01892 554076 (using a printed response form)

Only representations that are made in writing (including electronically) and arrive at the addresses specified in (1) to (4) above within the six-week period from Monday 30 January 2012 to Sunday 11 March 2012 will have the right to be considered.



**Swale**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**  
**PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990**

Swale Borough Council as Local Planning Authority has received the following applications which are being advertised to ascertain the views of persons living near the sites and other interested parties. The proposed developments relate to one or more of the following:

- The site of the application is within/affecting a designated Conservation Area (Section 73) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.
- The proposed development may affect the Listed Building or it's setting.
- The application is for a Major Development.
- The application would affect a right of way to which Part III of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) applies.
- This application may be of wider public interest.

**REPRESENTATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 13th February 2012**

SW/11/1476:  
Variation of condition (4) of SW/06/0829 to allow loading to trailers Monday to Friday, 1900 to 0700, and to allow access to vehicles Monday to Friday 0500 to 2000 - Thames Reinforcements Limited, New Road, SHEERNESS; **REASONS 3 & 4**.

SW/11/1550:  
Listed Building Consent for the installation of electrical circuits and lighting, gas main, central heating, kitchen equipment, railings at front entrance & clearance of asbestos - Faversham Assembly Rooms, Preston Street, FAVERSHAM; **REASONS 1, 2 & 6**.

SW/11/1608:  
Variation of condition (i) of planning permission NK/8/50/51 to allow occupation of the site for 10 months (1st March to 2nd January) - Vanity Farm, Leysdown Road, Leysdown, SHEERNESS; **REASONS 3 & 4**.

SW/11/1619:  
Hybrid Application comprising Full Application for the demolition of mobile units and the erection of a two-storey building with associated infrastructure and an Outline application for demolition of temporary and permanent buildings and the erection of 3 new buildings with associated landscaping with all Matters Reserved - Fullston Manor School, Brenchley Road, SITTINGBOURNE; **REASONS 2 & 3**.

SW/12/0003:  
Listed Building Consent to replace two ground floor windows (mix of wood, PVC & metal) with more appropriate (all wood) Georgian designs - Wreights House, The Mall, FAVERSHAM; **REASONS 1 & 2**.

SW/12/0025:  
To construct boiler house and to extend existing saw dust store to house brickette machine and to fell Confier tree- Parkside Joinery, Hogbens Hill, SELLING; **REASON 1**.

SW/12/0028 &  
SW/12/0029:  
Removal of conservatory and addition of two storey extension to form new bedroom and bathrooms - Little Fisher Street Farm, BADLESHERE; **REASON 2**.

Particulars of the proposal(s) can be obtained from Planning Services, Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, where copies of the applications and all documents submitted with them may be inspected during office hours; any representations should be made in writing to this address.

**James Freeman**  
Head of Planning

**MARRIAGE LICENCES**


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CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004  
APPROVED PREMISES FOR  
CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS**

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **Charlton Place, Bishopsbourne, Canterbury**  
Applicant: **Mrs Gabrielle Twigg**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

Giles Adey  
Head of Registration, Regulatory Services  
First Floor, Invicta House, Maidstone,  
Kent, ME14 1XX



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## PLANNING

## Town and Country Planning Acts

The Council is required to give notice of the following applications

- 11/03794/HOUSE** **Old Standen Standen Street, Benenden**  
- Retrospective: Replacement garage (LB)
- 11/03812/FULMJ** **Site Of 1-36 Ropers Gate And 26-60 Summervale Road, Broadwater**  
- Demolition of 50 existing flats and 4 No. shops; Construction of 62 dwellings comprising houses and flats with new retail unit/post office, road network, parking and landscape (MAJOR) (PROW)
- 12/00013/FUL** **Strange Electrical Ltd St Albans Works, Broadwater**  
- Conversion of office/storeroom into two mews cottages (CA)
- 11/03171/FULMJ** **Hemstead Forest Equestrian Centre Chittenden Farm, Cranbrook And Sissinghurst**  
- Redevelopment to provide replacement stables, indoor riding school, facilities building, replacement outdoor sand school, isolation stable, new parking area and bridleway with access to Golford Road (MAJOR)
- 12/00032/LBC** **Tunbridge Wells Conservative Association 84 London Road, Culverden**  
- Listed Building Consent: Creation of roof terrace to rear and railings and re-paving to front elevation (LB)
- 12/00071/FULMJ OS** **Plot 3200 Pearsons Green Road, Paddock Wood**  
- Retrospective - Change of use from agriculture and formation of 3 stock ponds (MAJOR)
- 11/03761/HOUSE** **80 Warwick Park Royal Tunbridge Wells, Pantiles & St Marks**  
- Single storey side extension (CA)
- 12/00080/FUL** **Garages Cambridge Gardens, Pantiles & St Marks**  
- Temporary retention of two storage containers and erection of close boarded fence (works commenced) (CA)
- 11/03652/FUL** **18 & 20 Guildford Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Park**  
- Retrospective: Removal of unsafe and partially taken down chimney stack (CA)
- 11/03653/CAC** **18 & 20 Guildford Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Park**  
- Conservation Area Consent: Retrospective: Removal of unsafe and partially taken down chimney stack (CA)
- 12/00046/HOUSE** **16 Lansdowne Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Park**  
- Three storey (basement, ground and first floors) rear extension with balcony incorporating new flat roof over existing house (CA)
- 12/00120/HOUSE** **2 The Ferns Royal Tunbridge Wells, Park**  
- Two-storey side and single-storey rear extension, conversion of integral garage to habitable accommodation (CA)
- 12/00034/HOUSE** **12 Apsley Street Rusthall, Rusthall**  
- Single-storey rear extension (CA)
- 12/00095/HOUSE** **Holden House Holden Road, Southborough Town Council**  
- Garden shed (LB) (CA)

(DEVPLN) Departure from the Development Plan (PROW) Affecting A Public Right of Way (CA) Affecting a Conservation Area (LB) Affecting a Listed Building (MAJOR) Major Applications (MAST) Mast Applications (EIA) Applications Accompanied by an EIA Statement.

You may view these applications on our website ([www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk](http://www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk)), at the The Old Fire Station, Stone Street, Cranbrook or at Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells. We accept comments online, by email to [planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk](mailto:planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk) or in writing to the address below. Comments should be made within 21 days from the date of this notice, although we may accept them after this date.

You should quote the reference and be aware that we make all comments available for inspection, placing them on the file and publishing them on the internet. We do not publish signatures, telephone numbers or email addresses on the internet.

Jim Kehoe  
Head of Planning Services  
Town Hall Royal Tunbridge Wells TN1 1RS  
Dated: 28 January 2012



## THE MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Town and Country Planning Act

### Notice of Applications

**MA/11/1962/N** - THE GRANARY, SMITHS FARM, HOLLINGBOURNE HILL, HOLLINGBOURNE, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 1UJ - Erection of 2(no) sheds, re-positioning of drive and parking area, removal of flue and installation of 1(no) small flue, alterations to fenestration including changing 2(no) doors to windows, 1(no) window to door, change of style to 1(no) door and insertion of rooflight, and installation of underground gas tank. **Reason: 1**

**MA/11/2094/N** - BOWLEY HALL COTTAGE, LVERTON HILL, SANDWAY, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 2NL - Installation of flue. **Reason: 1**

**MA/11/2095/N** - BOWLEY HALL COTTAGE, LVERTON HILL, SANDWAY, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 2NL - An application for listed building consent for the installation of a flue and associated internal alterations. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/2096/N** - 19, MARSHAM STREET, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 1EP - Change of use of building from Dental Surgery to Single Dwelling. **Reason: 2**

**MA/11/2123/S** - HILL PLACE, LINTON HILL, LINTON, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 4AL - Retrospective application for listed building consent for Installation of solar photovoltaic panels to outbuilding. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/2154/N** - A20 NORTHSIDE, ASHFORD ROAD, HARRIETSHAM, KENT - Application for the erection of 10 houses with access road and parking facilities (revisions to the design of approved application MA/06/2057). **Reason: 6**

**MA/11/2169/S** - GEORGE MARSHAM HOUSE, HOLMESDALE CLOSE, LOOSE, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME15 0BE - Erection of fourteen dwellings with landscaping and car parking and refurbishment of existing two storey block 'Amies House' including new cladding and entrance porch. **Reason: 1, 6**

**MA/11/2201/N** - FORGE HOUSE, OLD ASHFORD ROAD, LENHAM, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 2PX - Application for listed building consent for the erection of a single storey oak framed lean-to conservatory. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/2202/N** - FORGE HOUSE, OLD ASHFORD ROAD, LENHAM, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 2PX - Erection of a single storey oak framed lean-to conservatory. **Reason: 1, 2**

**MA/11/2209/N** - LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF YORK ROAD AND, WEST PARK ROAD, MAIDSTONE, KENT - Erection of a three-storey block of twelve two-bedroom (three person) flats (amendments to scheme approved under application MA/07/1269 as renewed by application MA/11/0731). **Reason: 1, 6**

**MA/12/0007/S** - THE STABLES, WILLOW LANE, PADDOCK WOOD, TONBRIDGE, KENT, TN12 6PF - Change of use of office (Use Class B1) to residential use (Use Class C3) and single storey rear extension and introduction of roof lights (operational development previously approved under MA/11/0552). **Reason: 1**

**MA/12/0015/N** - 52, FAUCHONS LANE, BEARSTED, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 4AH - Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation. **Reason: 1**

**MA/12/0016/N** - 36, HIGH STREET, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 1JH - Change of use and conversion of first and second floor into 2(no) studio flats and 1 (no) one bedroom studio flats. **Reason: 2**

**MA/12/0021/N** - PLOT 4, ECLIPSE PARK, SITTINGBOURNE ROAD, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 3EN - Application to remove condition 2 of planning permission MA/11/0242 (An application for new planning permission to replace extant planning permission in order to extend the time limit for implementing planning permission MA/08/1732 (outline planning permission for the erection of a B1a Office building with access to be considered at this stage and all other matters reserved for future consideration). Condition 2 states: 'No building hereby permitted shall be occupied unless and until the completion and opening to traffic of a scheme of improvements generally shown on drawing no. HT91271A/1080.1/1A (or other such scheme of works substantially to the same effect which has first been approved in writing in writing by the Secretary of State for Transport (in consultation with the Local Highway Authority)) and thereafter approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure that the M20 motorway continues to be a safe and effective part of the national system of routes for through traffic in accordance with Section 10 of the Highways Act 1980.' **Reason: 6**

**MA/12/0022/N** - ECLIPSE PARK, SITTINGBOURNE ROAD, MAIDSTONE, KENT - Application to remove condition 2 of planning permission MA/11/0227 (Variation of conditions 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, & 16 of MA/09/1784 (outline planning permission for erection of a hotel with access to be considered at this stage and all other matters reserved for future consideration) to allow the approved fixed Eclipse Park access and local highway improvement works to be implemented in advance of approval of the remaining reserved matters and discharge of other conditions). Condition 2 states: 'No building hereby permitted shall be occupied unless and until the completion and opening to traffic of a scheme of improvements to M20 Junction 7 generally shown on drawing no. HT91271A/1080.1/1A (or other such scheme of works substantially to the same effect which has first been approved in writing in writing by the Local Planning Authority). Reason: To ensure that the M20 motorway continues to be a safe and effective part of the national system of routes for through traffic in accordance with Section 10 of the Highways Act 1980.' **Reason: 6**

**MA/12/0042/S** - BOYTON COURT, BOYTON COURT ROAD, SUTTON VALENCE, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 3BY - An application for listed building consent for internal alterations, including removal of staircase and alterations to fenestration. **Reason: 3**

Reasons for advertisement key:

- 1 - Applications affects the setting of a Listed Building.
- 2 - Application affects the setting of a Conservation Area.
- 3 - Application is for Listed Building Consent.
- 6 - Application is Major Development.

Copies of applications listed may be seen at Maidstone Gateway, Maidstone during office hours (Monday to Wednesday 8.30am to 5.30pm, Thursday 8.30am to 7pm, Friday 8.30am to 5.30pm and Saturday 9am to 1pm). Any representations should be made in writing to me by no later than **12th February 2012**, quoting the application number.

**Rob Jarman**, Head of Development Management, Maidstone Borough Council, Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6JQ. Dated: **29th January 2012**



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## PREMISES/ GOODS LICENCES

### LICENSING ACT 2003: Application for Premises Licence

Notice is hereby given that Mohammad Nadeem Ashraf of 21 Norfolk road Gravesend DA12 2RX has applied to Gravesham Borough Council for the GRANT of an off licence: Sale of alcohol hours Mon to Sun 7am until 23:00 for the premises Spend N Save, situated at 7-9 Perry Street Northfleet Kent DA11 8RA

A register of licensing applications can be inspected at <http://www.gravesham.gov.uk/licensing> or at Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AU Tel: 01474 337334 by appointment with the Licensing Team between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday.

Any person wishing to submit representations to my/our application must give notice in writing to the address shown above, giving in detail the grounds of objection by 30/01/2012

The Council will not entertain representations where the writer requests that his identity remains anonymous. Copies of all representations will be included in the papers presented to the Licensing Panel and will therefore pass into the public domain. Representations must relate to one of the four Licensing Objectives: the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. In the case of an application for a provisional statement, please note that representations will be restricted once a statement has been issued.

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

### NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010

**KCC/DA/0529/2011 - Proposed development at Ace Car Breakers, Manor Way Business Park, Swanscombe, Kent, DA10 0PP.**

Mr R Arnold is applying to the Kent County Council for planning permission for use of land and buildings in association with car breakers business. The proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application relates is situated.

You may view this application at Dartford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Home Gardens, Dartford, Kent, DA1 1DR.

**KCC/SW/0419/2011 - Proposed development at SWEEP Kuusakoski Ltd, Gas Road, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2QB.**

SWEEP Kuusakoski Ltd is applying to Kent County Council (as the Waste Planning Authority) for planning permission for a change of use of land to undertake Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) recycling activities, construction of storage facilities and the variation to previously permitted hours to allow for an extended period of time in which waste transporting vehicles can enter/leave the site.

You may view this application at Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT.

**KCC/TW/0013/2012 - Proposed development at Tunbridge Wells North Waste Water Treatment Works, Dowding Way, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN2 3UY.**

Southern Water Ltd is applying to the Kent County Council for planning permission for construction of Ferric Dosing system including 3 walk-in kiosks to support upgrade to existing Wastewater Treatment Works (WTW).

You may view this application at Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2AB.

### NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13(3) OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

**KCC/SH/0381/2011 - Proposed development at Dungeness Borrow Pit, Dungeness, Romney Marsh, Kent, TN29 9NA.**

EDF Energy Nuclear Generation Ltd and the Environment Agency has submitted further environmental information under regulation (22) of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 in support of application reference KCC/SH/0381/2011 for shingle recycling for the purpose of flood defence. The original application was accompanied by an environmental statement. The proposed development is within the Dungeness Conservation Area and is likely to affect its character and/or appearance. The proposed development also affects a public right of way.

You may view copies of the further information at Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY or at the One Stop Service Lydd, Guildhall, Lydd, Kent TN29 9AJ.

Members of the public may obtain copies of the environmental statement from Halcrow Group, Burderop Park, Swindon SN4 0QD Tel: 01793 816360 so long as stocks last, at a reasonable charge.

Alternatively, details of all applications can be viewed on Kent County Council's website at [www.kent.gov.uk/viewapplications](http://www.kent.gov.uk/viewapplications) or at our offices in Maidstone at the address below during all reasonable office hours.

We accept comments online via our website, by email to [planning.applications@kent.gov.uk](mailto:planning.applications@kent.gov.uk) or in writing to Planning Applications Group, Kent County Council, First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX within 21 days from the date of this notice. Please quote the application reference number and note that comments may be drawn to the attention of Council Members, the applicant and other interested persons and may include publishing on the Borough/District Council website.

Sharon Thompson  
Head of Planning  
Applications Group  
Kent County Council  
Dated: 29 January 2012



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### CANTERBURY

### THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING ON FOOTWAY OR VERGE)(AMENDMENT NO 1B) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and 4(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING ON FOOTWAY OR VERGE) (AMENDMENT NO 1A) ORDER 2011 by introducing a new parking and waiting restriction on the following lengths of road in the Canterbury District.

Rough Common Road	Prohibition of parking on the footway and verge on both sides for the entire length.
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The order was made on 19 January and comes into force on 20 February. Full details are contained in the Order which, together with a statement of the Council's reasons for making the order, the relevant maps and a copy of any orders amended by the order may be examined at the Canterbury City Council Offices, Military Road, Canterbury, CT1 1YW, during normal office hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within six weeks from the date on which the Order was made make application to the High Court for this purpose.

This Notice is published on behalf of  
Kent Highway Services  
Environment and Regeneration  
County Hall, Maidstone ME14 2XQ

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PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY & VILLAGE GREENS

PROW - BOROUGH OF ASHFORD

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER  
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PUBLIC FOOTPATH AW150 (PART) PLUCKLEY)  
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP AND  
STATEMENT MODIFICATION ORDER 2012**

The above named Order made on 11 January 2012 under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 will divert the entire width of that length of Public Footpath numbered AW150 which commences at its junction with the unaffected length of Public Footpath AW150 at NGR TQ 9173 4398 (Point A) and runs in a south south westerly direction for 115 metres thence southerly for 70 metres to its connection with Chambers Green Road at NGR TQ 9167 4380 (Point B) and will add a new length of Public Footpath numbered AW150 which commences at its junction with the unaffected length of Public Footpath AW150 at NGR TQ 9173 4398 (Point A) and runs in a west south westerly direction for 18 metres, south westerly for 132 metres thence southerly for 5 metres to a new connection with Chambers Green Road at NGR TQ 9163 4386 (Point C). The new length of path will have a width of 2.0 metres except where it connects with Chambers Green Road at NGR TQ 9163 4386 (Point C) where there will be a gap of 1.0 metre. The new length of path will be situated 1.0 metre from the boundary except for the first 18 metres from NGR TQ 9173 4398 (Point A) and the last 5 metres towards NGR TQ 9163 4386 (Point C).

All directions general, all distances approximate.

A copy of the Order and the Map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at the Offices of Ashford Gateway Plus, Church Road, Ashford, Kent, TN23 1AS or at the Kent County Council, Countryside Access Service, Invicta House, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX. Copies of the Order and Map may be purchased there.

**Any representation about or objection to the Order may be sent in writing to Laura Wilkins at the Kent County Council (address as below) not later than 27 February 2012. Please state the grounds on which they are made.**

Please note that objections/representations cannot be treated as confidential and may come into the public domain. Copies of any objections or representations received may be disclosed to interested parties, including the Planning Inspectorate where the case is referred to it for determination.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, the Kent County Council may confirm the Order as an unopposed Order. If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the Order.

PROW - DISTRICTS OF DOVER & SHEPWAY

**NOTICE OF THE EXTENSION OF AN ORDER TEMPORARILY CLOSING PUBLIC BYWAY HE30 / ER146 IN THE PARISHES OF DENTON WITH WOOTTON AND ELHAM**

**(PUBLIC BYWAY HE30 / ER146)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1),  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

The Secretary of State for Transport has directed that the Order made by Kent County Council on the 15th August 2011, the effect of which was to prohibit all traffic from Public Byway HE30 / ER146 has been extended until 14 August 2012 or until completion of the works, whichever is the earlier.

Pedestrian access will be available from Snode Hill to Public Footpath ER130 at Gatteridge Farm

The route will be closed between Reece Lane and Snode Hill.

The route will be closed for the construction of a new water pumping station and there is a likelihood of danger to users.

There is no alternative route.

For detailed enquiries please contact: Edward Denne

PROW - IN THE BOROUGH OF MAIDSTONE

**NOTICE OF THE INTENTION TO MAKE AN ORDER  
TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE PUBLIC FOOTPATH KM87  
IN THE PARISH OF OTHAM**

**(PUBLIC FOOTPATH KM87)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984, SECTION 14(1),  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Kent County Council intends to temporarily close Public Footpath KM87, between Titchfield Road and Gore Court Road from the 10th February 2012.

The path will be closed for a maximum of six months, although it is expected that it will reopen sooner.

The path is to be closed because works are planned on or near it and there is a likelihood of danger to users.

The alternative route is via KM87, Wooley Rd, KB29, Sutton Rd and Gore Court Rd and will be signed for the duration of the closure.

For detailed enquiries please contact: John Pelham  
Tel: 0845 345 0210

PROW - DISTRICT OF SEVENOAKS

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF KENT**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PUBLIC FOOTPATH SD47 (PART) HORTON KIRBY &  
SOUTH DARENTH)  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2012**

The above Order was made on 11 January 2012 under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. If confirmed, it will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by deleting that length of Public Footpath SD47 which commences at its junction with Gill's Road at NGR TQ 5836 6994 (Point A) and runs in a northerly direction for 53 metres to NGR TQ 5837 7000 (Point B) and adding that length of Public Footpath SD47 with a width of 1.2 metres which commences at its junction with Gill's Road at NGR TQ 5836 6994 (Point A) and runs in a north north easterly direction for 57 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath SD47 at NGR TQ 5838 7000 (Point C).

All distances are approximate, all directions are general.

A copy of the Order and Map may be seen free of charge during normal office hours at the offices of Sevenoaks District Council, PO Box 183, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks, Kent, TN13 1HG or at the Kent County Council, Countryside Access Service, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. Copies of the Order and Map may also be purchased there.

**Any representation about or objection to the Order must be sent or delivered in writing to Laura Wilkins at the Kent County Council (address as below) not later than 12 March 2012. Please state the grounds on which they are made.**

Please note that objections/representations cannot be treated as confidential and may come into the public domain. Copies of any objections or representations received may be disclosed to interested parties, including the Planning Inspectorate where the case is referred to it for determination.

If no such representations or objections are duly made to the Order (or to any part of it), or if any so made are withdrawn, the Kent County Council, instead of submitting the Order to the Secretary of State (or part of it if the Authority has by Notice to the Secretary of State so elected under paragraph 5 of schedule 15 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) may itself confirm the Order (or that part of the Order). If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment (in whole or in part), any representations or objections which have been duly made and not been withdrawn will be sent with it.

PROW - IN THE BOROUGH OF SWALE

**NOTICE OF THE MAKING OF AN ORDER TO  
TEMPORARILY CLOSE PUBLIC FOOTPATH ZU1,  
SITTINGBOURNE**

**(PUBLIC FOOTPATH ZU1)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984, SECTION 14 (1),  
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Kent County Council has temporarily closed Public Footpath ZU1 between NGR TQ 918 650, just south of the new Milton Creek Road crossing, and NGR TQ 919 652, Church Wharf, from the 16th January 2012.

The path will be closed for a maximum of six months, although it is expected that it will reopen before mid May 2012.

The path is to be closed because works are planned on or near it and there is a likelihood of danger to users.

The alternative route is available and will be marked locally as work progresses and will be signed for the duration of the closure.

For detailed enquiries please contact Michael Ellis.

PROW IN THE BOROUGH OF TONBRIDGE & MALLING

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF KENT**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PUBLIC FOOTPATH MR183 (PART) TROTTSCLIFFE)  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2012**

The above Order was made on 11 January 2012 under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. If confirmed, it will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by deleting that length of Public Footpath MR183 which commences on the unaffected length of Public Footpath MR183 at NGR TQ 6512 6015 (Point A) and runs in a south easterly direction for 195 metres to NGR TQ 6524 6000 (Point B) and adding that

length of Public Footpath MR183 which commences on the unaffected length of Public Footpath MR183 at NGR TQ 6512 6015 (Point A) and runs in a south easterly direction for 217 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath MR183 at NGR TQ 6528 6000 (Point C). The added length of footpath has a width of 1.2 metres.

All distances are approximate, all directions are general.

A copy of the Order and Map may be seen free of charge during normal office hours at the offices of Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ or at the Kent County Council, Countryside Access Service, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. Copies of the Order and Map may also be purchased there.

**Any representation about or objection to the Order must be sent or delivered in writing to Laura Wilkins at the Kent County Council (address as below) not later than 12 March 2012. Please state the grounds on which they are made.**

Please note that objections/representations cannot be treated as confidential and may come into the public domain. Copies of any objections or representations received may be disclosed to interested parties, including the Planning Inspectorate where the case is referred to it for determination.

If no such representations or objections are duly made to the Order (or to any part of it), or if any so made are withdrawn, the Kent County Council, instead of submitting the Order to the Secretary of State (or part of it if the Authority has by Notice to the Secretary of State so elected under paragraph 5 of schedule 15 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) may itself confirm the Order (or that part of the Order). If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment (in whole or in part), any representations or objections which have been duly made and not been withdrawn will be sent with it.

PROW - BOROUGH OF TUNBRIDGE WELLS

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF KENT**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PUBLIC FOOTPATH WT82 (PART) SPELDHURST)  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2012**

The above Order was made on 11 January 2012 under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. If confirmed, it will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by deleting that length of Public Footpath WT82 which commences on the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT82 at NGR TQ 5421 3985 (Point A) and runs in a north north easterly direction for 160 metres to NGR TQ 5428 4000 (Point B) and adding that length of Public Footpath WT82 with a width of 1.2 metres which commences on the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT82 at NGR TQ 5421 3985 (Point A) and runs in a north easterly direction for 172 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT82 at NGR TQ 5430 4000 (Point C).

All distances are approximate, all directions are general.

A copy of the Order and Map may be seen free of charge during normal office hours at the offices of The Tunbridge Wells Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN11 2AB or at the Kent County Council, Countryside Access Service, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. Copies of the Order and Map may also be purchased there.

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**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF KENT**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(PUBLIC FOOTPATH WT225 (PARTS) BRENCHLEY)  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2012**

The above Order was made on 11 January 2012 under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. If confirmed, it will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by deleting those lengths of Public Footpath WT225 which:-

i) Commences at its junction with Bramble Reed Lane at NGR TQ 6493 4165 (Point A) and runs in an easterly direction for 64 metres to NGR TQ 6500 4166 (Point B).

ii) Commences at NGR TQ 6500 4168 (Point C) and runs in a south easterly direction for 30 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT225 at NGR TQ 6502 4166 (Point D).

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and adding those lengths of Public Footpath WT225 which:-

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ii) Commences at NGR TQ 6500 4167 (Point H) and runs in an easterly direction for 20 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT225 at NGR TQ 6502 4166 (Point D). The path has a width of 1.2 metres.

iii) Commences on the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT225 at NGR TQ 6504 4164 (Point E) and runs in a south easterly through easterly direction for 30 metres to NGR TQ 6507 4163 (Point I) thence north north easterly for 79 metres to its connection with the unaffected length of Public Footpath WT225 at NGR TQ 6511 4169 (Point F). The path has a width of 1.2 metres between NGR TQ 6504 4164 (Point E) and NGR TQ 6509 4166 (Point K) and a width of 1.6 metres between NGR TQ 6509 4166 (Point K) and NGR TQ 6511 4169 (Point F).

All distances are approximate, all directions are general.

A copy of the Order and Map may be seen free of charge during normal office hours at the offices of The Tunbridge Wells Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN11 2AB or at the Kent County Council, Countryside Access Service, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. Copies of the Order and Map may also be purchased there.

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**Dated: 29th January 2012**

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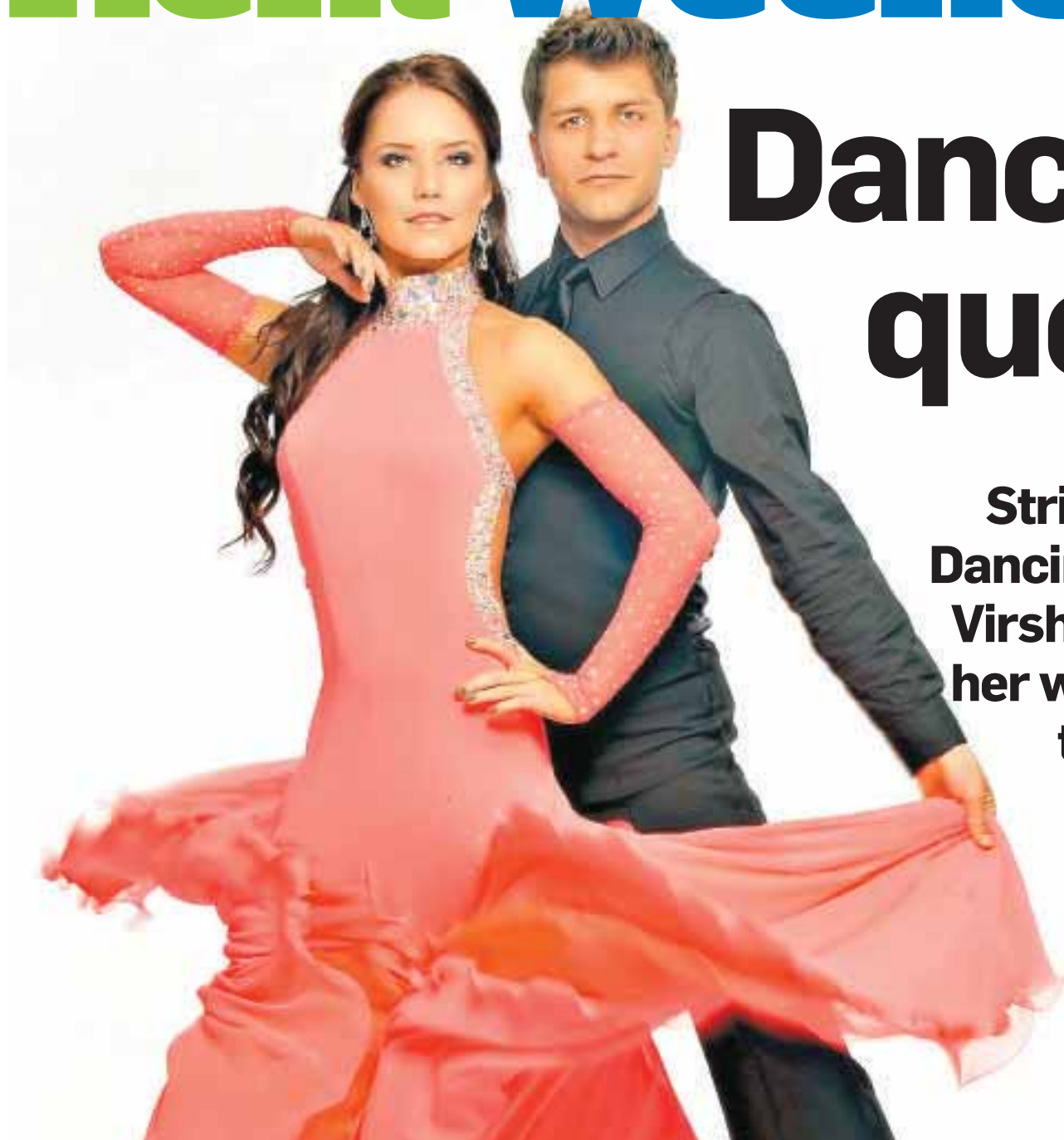


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# Kent Weekend



## Dancing queen

**Strictly Come Dancing's Katya Virshilas twirls her way across the county**

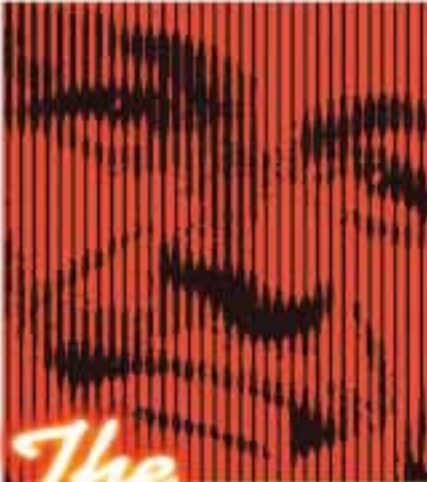
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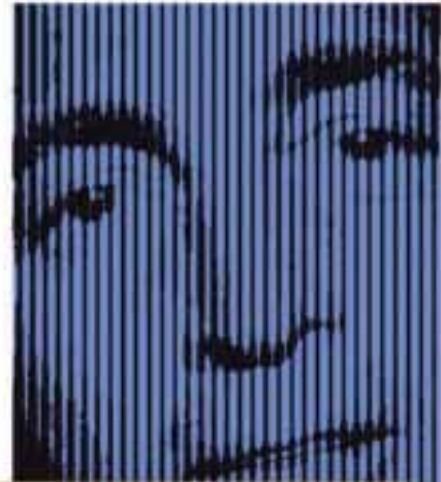
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## THE INTERVIEW

Katya Virshilas

**A**S another season of Strictly Come Dancing finishes on the BBC, you might think the professional dancers would be in need of a rest after carrying their bumbling celebrities through the competition.

But with a range of spin-off shows and UK tours, it seems that relaxing is not an option. Especially for Katya Virshilas, who is embarking on another excursion around our Strictly-obsessed nation.

Alongside fellow Strictly pro Pasha Kovalev, the sequinned siren is exchanging the small screen for theatre boards at Tunbridge Wells, Dartford and Chatham.

The 28-year-old said: "We will be telling a story of dance through the ages and combining a lot of different dances, like ballroom and Latin, as well as very different choreography. It will have something for the Strictly audience, something for the kids and something for the real dance enthusiasts, too."

Virshilas was born in Lithuania before moving with her family to Israel and finally Vancouver in Canada, when aged 13 her love of dance began.

She said: "I saw a dance competition on television and I asked my mum to take me to a dance class and it just went from there. I got into the whole world of it and got addicted."

The performer won numerous championships and was the youngest-ever British Columbian Latin dance champion at the age of just 16.

A keen actress on the side, she has made appearances in popular American TV shows such as Supernatural, Smallville and The Guard.

However, it was her appearance in a Hollywood

# Dancing is no drug but it is Strictly addictive

Ahead of her visit to Kent with partner Pasha Kovalev, TV's queen of the moves tells **Joe Bill** how she waltzes celebrities to a new stardom

movie that alerted the BBC to her.

She said: "I did a scene dancing with Antonio Banderas in a film called Take The Lead and one of the Strictly researchers saw it."

"They were looking for a Canadian champion. Strictly always looks for new talent and if you are in the dance world sooner or later you will cross paths. It was incredible working with Antonio at the time – it is good to learn things throughout your career and he was really great."

Three series on and Virshilas has become part of the furniture of the show, having been handed more than her fair share of tough tasks as she looks to mould the next celebrity into a competitive dancer. These have included a wise-cracking cricketer and a leg-shaving rugby-player.

"My favourite was probably Gavin Henson, but I loved working with Phil Tufnell," she said. "The reason was I was really proud of Gavin. He went so far in the competition [the semi-finals], but he was not a good dancer at the beginning at all."

In the last series, Virshilas

was paired with television presenter Dan Lobb but was knocked out in just week three of the competition.

She said: "Everyone who comes in and does the show wants to do their best. Some get it easier than others. So it depends on the person to see how long it takes them to pick it all up."

But Virshilas would not be drawn into revealing who was her favourite judge on the show and who she disliked:

"I love all the judges – each one of them brings something different to the show, so I can't say my favourite. Every celebrity that comes to Strictly brings something different, which is why it is so great and unique."

For the upcoming tour, Virshilas will perform live with Strictly co-star Pasha Kovalev for an evening of exhibition dance routines, featuring the rumba, waltz, foxtrot, tango and jive. There will also be a section for the audience to put their questions to the pair to find out what really goes on behind the scenes of the hit show.

Five members of the audience will even get the

chance to join the cast on stage in their very own Strictly dance competition.

And with the Strictly tour just about to head around the UK, too, Virshilas is starting to get used to England becoming her new home.

She said: "My home is in British Columbia, Canada, and I try to get there between tours, but most of the time I now stay in England. I love this country and I love the fact that I get a chance to be part of the most incredible show here."

This has also meant her acting career has taken a back seat, but Virshilas would not have it any other way.

"I am just enjoying Strictly and dancing in general right now, so I am not doing much acting, but you never know."

**■ The Katya Virshilas And Pasha Kovalev Tour 2012 reaches the Assembly Hall Theatre, Tunbridge Wells, on Tuesday, March 27 (phone 01892 530613 to book). On Sunday, April 1, the dancers will be at The Central Theatre, Chatham (phone 01634 338338), and on Saturday, April 14, at The Orchard Theatre, Dartford (01322 220000).**



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## EATING OUT

## Across the county



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The top dessert picks itself as American pancakes with banana, pecan nuts and maple glaze will get anyone's taste buds going.

It is a perfect location in the spring and summer with a good-sized beer garden and outdoor grill, with live entertainment throughout the year.

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Current top-sellers on the menu are the delicious home-made rabbit pie and the steak-in-ale pie. All dishes on the menu are home-made and the See Ho offers a two-meals-for-£10 special.

Other treats on the menu include meatloaf mash with fresh vegetables, or perhaps fishcakes, chips and peas, and there are various pasties with chips and peas or beans.

All of the dishes are complemented by excellent beers and wines which the knowledgeable staff ensure are kept perfectly. Fresh food at very reasonable prices is the key to the success of the venue, which is now

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# FOOD & DRINK

## Valentine's Day: Six of the Best



### Dog and Duck Plucks Gutter

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#### On the menu...

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#### How to book...

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This dates back more than 400 years, when the health-giving properties of the chalybeate spring were first recognised by fashionable Londoners.

This fame came to its zenith in the 18th century, when society figure Beau Nash became synonymous with its attractions and the town became the place for high society to visit and show itself.

The Pantiles remains a beautiful



colonnade of shops, built on two levels and frequently the scene of popular outdoor events.

Back in the time of Beau Nash, the levels were used to separate social classes, with the gentry on the upper

level and everyone else allowed only to visit the ground floor.

The rooms used by Beau Nash survive and can be located by a plaque, while there are many unusual shops and a number of restaurants with

pavement tables that are extremely popular in summer.

The spring itself is still in existence and a costumed 'dipper' is on hand to allow visitors to sample the waters.

The town centre currently possesses a top-class shopping complex and has an excellent park, central common and leisure facilities.

Dunorlan Park, the largest in the town, was once a private garden but is now open to the public and restored to its original state thanks to a Heritage Lottery Fund grant.

The town is also well regarded for the excellent range of pubs and bars as well as quality restaurants, which are an important part of its night-time attraction.

Kent County Cricket Club play matches at the Nevill Ground, which has also hosted international fixtures and is one of the most beautiful grounds in England.

Tunbridge Wells is situated on the northern edge of the High Weald in an area of beautiful countryside that includes the High Rocks just outside the town.

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## Walk Dickens's marsh Unique opportunity

**Bromhey Farm, Cooling, near Rochester**

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IN the week of Charles Dickens's 200th birthday, the RSPB is offering access to a stretch of marsh at its Northward Hill reserve that is normally closed to the public. The three-mile walk along the Thames will take visitors into the heart of the grazing marshes that inspired Dickens's novel *Great Expectations*. Meet in the main car park at Bromhey Farm, wearing wellies, for an exploration of time, nature and the world as seen by Dickens. The walks cost £6 for adults and £5 for children, with a £2 discount for RSPB members. People who join on the day will be refunded fully. Booking is essential – phone 01634 222480 or email northkentmarshes@rspb.org.uk.

## Pulling oysters from a shell? Chris Difford

**Horsebridge Centre,  
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ONE half of the writing force behind timeless 80s pop-rockers Squeeze, Chris Difford heads back to Whitstable due to popular demand. The double Ivor Novello-

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## Celtic rockers Karnataka on wave of form

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CELTIC rockers Karnataka head to Astor Community Theatre early next month after the release of their new album, *The Gathering Light*. The new record, which was voted Best International Album at the World Web Awards in Italy, is the fifth from the group, who have been richly acclaimed by BBC Radio 2's Bob Harris. Karnataka have already performed all over the world alongside artists such as Led Zeppelin's Robert Plant, but the group are still looking to make as big an impact on the UK as The Pogues did almost 30 years ago. Last year Karnataka took another big leap forward with the announcement that Hayley Griffiths, lead vocalist with Riverdance and Michael Flatley's *Lord Of The Dance*, would be joining the band.



## Rich tribute to Noël Coward Wit and wisdom

**Memorial Theatre,  
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Sunday, February 5, at 3pm  
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BRITISH comedy fans can spend an enchanting afternoon with *Dad's Army* and *Hi-De-Hi* star Gordon Peters as he presents his new show, *The Humour Of Noël*

Coward. Peters has chosen some of the legendary writer's funniest songs and combined them with anecdotes about the great man. The show has already been described as a "humorous and loving tribute to a man who did it all and did it his way". It will be directed by former *Danny Le Rue* musical chief David Carter. Tickets cost £10.50 for Sarah Thorne Theatre Club members and £12.50 for non-members. To book, email [info@sarathorne-theatreclub.co.uk](mailto:info@sarathorne-theatreclub.co.uk) for more details.

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## Positive developments in the housing market

SUPPLY and demand held up in December, bringing greater optimism for future house sales, according to the latest UK Housing Market Survey.

More stock continued to come on to the market for the third consecutive month, the Royal Institute Of Chartered Surveyors report said.

Six per cent more respondents reported rises rather than falls in new homes coming on to the market, suggesting that vendors

remain confident of selling.

This confidence could stem from the fact that demand has been in positive territory in the past six months, with 11 per cent more respondents reporting new buyer enquiries increasing. However, respondents continue to report that a lack of mortgage finance is hindering many, with the cash-rich best-placed to take advantage of the market.

Consequently, sales expectations for the coming

three months also remain in positive territory, with 19 per cent more chartered surveyors expecting transactions to rise.

Prices across the South East continued to dip in December, but at a slower rate, with 14 per cent more surveyors reporting price falls rather than rises (from -22 per cent).

Ian Perry, RICS housing spokesman, said: "The increasing number of prospective sellers is a positive development."

## Is renting your home set to be the new owning?

By Nick Ames

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THIS year could be the one in which property renting becomes the new owning, according to one of the UK's largest letting experts, Belvoir.

Increasing consumer nervousness, rising levels of unemployment and a squeeze on people's purchasing power triggered by a global downturn and the Eurozone debt crisis are all factors that could make many turn their back on prospective home-ownership, the company predicts.

"I believe that, for reasons of flexibility, mobility and budget, 2012 will see a shift towards more people viewing renting as a preferred lifestyle choice, rather than a necessity," said Dorian Gonsalves, managing director of Belvoir, which operates more than 140 offices throughout the UK, including one in Sidcup.

"By renting, people are able to plan their spending much more accurately and also have the flexibility to relocate and follow job offers. These factors are gaining increasing importance," said Gonsalves, pictured.

The number of house-purchase transactions nationally is about half of those pre-credit-crunch, and with the very real prospect of continued reduced mortgage lending over the next year, demand is expected to remain low.

Experts predict that more and more housing stock will be turned over to the private residential lettings sector, which is still experiencing solid rental yields, propped up by modestly increased levels of buy-to-let funding made available to professional landlords.

"We predict that rents will rise moderately, remaining more or less in line with inflation throughout the year," said Angie Mourgue, of Belvoir's Sidcup branch. "While there will be considerable regional variations, my view is that increased rents and stable or decreasing house prices will result in increased rental yields in 2012."

Belvoir has noticed some new trends emerging from its portfolio of landlord and tenant clients.

'Double renting' is a new phenomenon – in which homeowners are now letting out their existing home to provide extra income and moving to another lower-cost rental property.

There is also growing evidence that larger builders have started to develop once-dormant land sites, with a view to letting the properties rather than attempting to sell them.

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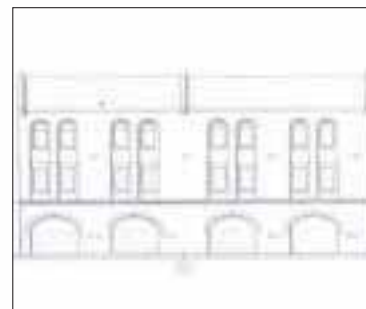
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## First **GEAR** MOTORING NEWS

- Renault axes models in the switch to electric
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- Toyota offers custom appeal to clever little IQ



Dealer care switched on to Vauxhall's unique and new hybrid

# Driving **carsforkent.co.uk**

By Sam Davison

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IT IS perhaps the most aspirational car in Britain across both new and second-hand car markets – it is the BMW 3-Series.

Private and company car user choosers clamour for one, as shown by the model's perennial top 10 slot in the UK's best-selling car chart, and used car buyers pay top dollar to get one, despite such obvious ubiquity.

The model's history stretches back to 1975, but it was the 1982 E30 model that British buyers really took to their hearts; a favourite of the Yuppie generation it spawned desirable convertible and Touring (estate) models too.

A new 3-Series chapter opens on February 11, when the sixth generation car arrives in UK showrooms, bringing yet more cutting-edge tech to a model that remains relatively affordable yet upmarket.

Generation six will further improve on Efficient Dynamics green credentials that, unlike some, BMW prefers to adopt across an entire model line-up. Despite being slightly longer, the new car is lighter and all models will have stop/start systems to save fuel and emissions in city driving or traffic jams. We can also expect a hybrid version later this year.

Significantly though, the car also marks a return to style after the slightly awkward looks of its predecessor; the German premium marque blundered up a styling blind alley for a decade according to some BMW fans.

But the new 3-Series looks more the part. Key to this has been the wider treatment of BMW's trademark grille, which used to be called the twin kidney grille, but has evolved from that now.

As a result, the front looks wider, lower and meaner even though this car is slightly narrower than its predecessor.

The sharper front then cues a flowing look that makes full use of an additional nine centimetres of length, more than half having gone into extending the wheelbase, boosting rear seat space – something the old car was criticised for.

But if a lot of 3-Series modern day appeal and demand comes from its image and that famous propeller badge on the bonnet, we must remember that this derived from its status as a driver's car.

So the longer wheelbase should deliver enhanced handling, though BMW insists this will not be at the expense of ride comfort.

All of the new range gets a new Driving Experience Control switch offering Comfort, Sport, Sport + and Eco Pro options for the powertrain and chassis.

Six-speed manual gearboxes are standard, but a new eight-speed automatic gearbox is offered on all engines too, and customers might like a new approach to trim levels, with ES and SE continuing as the cheaper ones and Sport, Modern and Luxury appearing as more upmarket choices, with M Sport remaining as the price and performance flagship.



BMW 3-SERIES

PREVIEW

Price:  
From £24,900

Driving appeal:  
★★★★★

Image:  
★★★★★

Space:  
★★★★★

Value:  
★★★★★

Running costs:  
★★★★★

Reliability:  
★★★★★

How green?:  
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Best rival:  
Mercedes C-Class

## BMW star given new injection of style for sixth incarnation



**LEADING LIGHT:**  
BMW's new 3-Series now has a longer wheelbase, boosting rear-seat space, and it should also enhance handling but not at the expense of ride comfort

### DON'T LIKE...

...to complain actually. This marks a return to 3-Series visual style and impact, while pushing the green envelope still further

### NOT SURE...

...it will get an easy ride though from its vastly improved Audi A4, Mercedes-Benz C-Class and Volvo S60 compact executive class rivals

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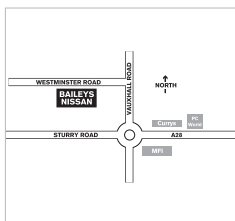
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## MOTORING

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# Big Volvo is unsung eco hero

By Sam Davison

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IF you had told me ten years ago that I would now be driving Volvo's executive flagship sipping 60mpg, I would have said you had been doing the opposite – drinking too much.

Let's face it, you just would not expect a big car to be an eco hero, and yet the big Swede is just that, with an official combined fuel consumption figure of 62.8mpg.

Of course, these figures can be misleading so I put this mile-eating starship on course for a weekend break from Ashford to Bruges and, without really trying, reckon I was not far short of that figure.

Further evidence of this miserliness was the fuel gauge reading that I'd used just a quarter of a tank to cover 220 miles.

The exact car was a £27,395 S80 DRIVE SE – entry point to the series of ultra eco versions of Volvo's biggest conventional model.

But the DRIVE label has been applied to all the greenest cars across the Volvo range and quietly become one of the most successful eco brandings on the market, much respected by tax aware company car user choosers.

By tweaking the aerodynamics, powertrains and tyres, Volvo has managed to make DRIVE cars incredibly economical without seeming to greatly affect the driving experience.

Admittedly, dropping a modest 113bhp 1.6-litre diesel engine into a car the size of the S80 – as in the case of the test car – will not deliver sparkling performance.

On the other hand, the car never felt particularly short of puff in cut and thrust town traffic and you can forgive it lots when it delivers such good economy and CO2 emissions, the latter being so low that it escapes road tax in year one and incurs just £30 a year thereafter – impressive for a genuine five-seater that cossets like a limo.

**VOLVO S80 DRIVE SE: PRICE £27,395**



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Space:	★★★★★
Value:	★★★★★
Reliability:	★★★★★
How green?:	★★★★★
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**GREEN SURPRISE:** Despite being a big Volvo, the S80 DRIVE SE was amazingly restrained with fuel, sipping just one quarter of the tank to cover more than 200 miles

Indeed, that's the key point with the S80 DRIVE: how many other big cars can transport you close to a thousand miles on a tank, while you lounge in typically comfortable Volvo seats in a well-appointed cabin?

Dearer German rivals from Audi, BMW and Mercedes-Benz will get a mention here, of course, and they are dynamically superior if it is your wont to chuck a big car like this around, but the S80 DRIVE is pretty much unbeatable for economy and its ability to simply eat up the miles in comfort when driving long distances for business or holiday.

The recurring comment during our Bruges weekend was about how relaxing it was to be in, with good quality fixtures and fittings and a logical well-worked dashboard with aux/iPod connector in the well-padded armrest.

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The boot is simply enormous and comes with its extras too: a 12v socket and a handy flip up bulkhead to keep shopping bags corralled.

This is the second generation S80 and though it arrived in 2006 and it's two years since it had a facelift, the slippery shape and trademark scalloped rear wings have kept it looking fresh.

Volvo also used the 2009 facelift to radically upgrade the car's previously stodgy handling without spoiling the ride, to give it a much flatter and tauter stance on corners.

Volvo's latter-day performance is all the more impressive for being set in motion during straitened times while the marque had a 'For Sale' sign hanging over it during Ford ownership. It has since been sold to one of China's powerful and wealthy car groups, Geely – pronounced with a 'j' – which will surely be more generous in bankrolling Volvo's quest to be greener.

## First GEAR

### MOTORING NEWS



## Renault eases back in Britain

AIMING to improve profitability in the UK, Renault is axing five models from its line-up here.

These are the Laguna family car, Wind Roadster and three MPVs: the windowed version of the Kangoo van, plus the Modus and Espace.

However, the French marque will launch three electric cars: the Zoe, Fluence and two-seat Twizy (pictured).



## Dacia due for 2012 launch

RENAULT'S UK cuts must also be viewed in the light of launching its budget Romanian subsidiary Dacia here in 2012.

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## MOTORING

# More dealer care is sparked by Ampera

By Sam Davison

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VAUXHALL aims to make ownership of its unique new Ampera hybrid even more distinctive for drivers.

For starters, buyers will get a petrol-electric car like no other, as the Ampera runs on electric power all the time, with the tiny onboard petrol engine used simply to recharge the batteries and extend the car's range – thereby avoiding the 'range anxiety' that dogs electric-only cars.

But they will also, says Vauxhall, receive a level of personalised customer service above and beyond what its dealers currently offer on mainstream models – a core of 23 Vauxhall dealers will be Ampera specialists.

The car is also backed by Vauxhall's Lifetime Warranty and an eight-year/100,000 mile battery warranty.

Ampera owners will, of course, be paying for this extra attention since the car is not cheap – it starts at £29,995 even after including the Government's £5,000 grant for cars that plug into the mains.

On the other hand, running an Ampera should be cheap too. Apart from the piffling cost of re-charging the batteries overnight, the car's first 25-50 miles will be free, but use as a conventional car over longer distances is expected to deliver



an average fuel consumption around 235mpg. With CO2 emissions of just 27g/km it does also fall well below the 100g/km threshold at which a car incurs road tax.

Vauxhall has recognised too that a premium price means premium expectations from buyers, so the standard spec is generous, including DAB radio, cruise control, alloys, and a seven-inch touch-sensitive screen for audio, sat nav and so-on.

And finally, the Ampera does cut a bit of a dash, so early adopters will like the fact that their extra expense and green statement is rewarded with a car that makes an impact with their peers.

The first Amperas will be on the road from May 1 and order books have just opened.

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## Civic eases up on starship style

HONDA really went for it with the design of the previous Civic. That car – the eighth generation – still turns heads now, let alone when it replaced its bland predecessor in 2006.

However, it was possibly a bit too radical for many loyal Honda customers, who buy the Japanese marque for reliability, the 'made in the UK' stamp on its best-known models and, dare we say it, conservatism.

So it comes as no surprise that the generation nine Civic, out now, sees some throttling back on the styling front to create a car that should please everyone.

But there is a caveat since not everyone liked the compromised visibility of the split rear screen (see picture), yet Honda has opted to carry over this hallmark, while the controversial space age interior is not completely banished either though quality has risen yet another notch.

Safety has also been upped, with better

passenger protection as well as tweaks to minimise injury to pedestrians and cyclists.

Prices for this descendant of the original 1972 Civic start at £16,495 and the engine options at launch are 1.4 or 1.8 petrol, or 2.2 diesel.

All manual versions get a fuel-saving stop/go system, with stats available via the dashboard info screen as well as climate and audio settings plus sat nav if fitted.

The flagship for now is the £26,595 diesel 2.2 i-DTEC EX GT, but the jury's out on whether Honda will add a Type-R performance star; industry insiders say the eco-conscious marque may drop such an overt hot hatch and fill the gap with a headline grabbing performance version of the CR-Z hybrid coupé.

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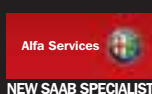
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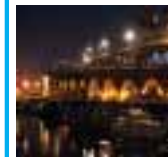
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# Commercial Vehicles

By Sam Davison  
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THERE'S lots of talk of a double-dip recession for the UK economy, but you wouldn't think it to look at commercial vehicle sales in 2011.

Registrations for new vans and trucks bounced back to end almost a quarter up on 2010, breaking down into a 25 per cent boost for trucks and a 16.7 per cent hike for vans.

That's not just good news for the industry itself but may signal confidence at last in the economy, since vans and trucks oil the wheels of the country's business and industrial output.

After guarded optimism earlier in 2011, the motor industry's mouthpiece, the SMMT, was upbeat about the way the year signed off.

"Renewed business confidence fuelled the month-on-month rises, while innovative developments in vehicle design and technologies provided solid business reasons for companies to upgrade their vehicles in 2011," said SMMT

## Commercial sector boost may signal better times for UK PLC



**BIG MOVERS:** Vauxhall's Vivaro panel van, left, and the Fiat Doblò Cargo, What Van? Light Van Of The Year, helped boost sector's growth

chief executive Paul Everitt.

Looking ahead to 2012 though, he said: "There can be no room for complacency this year – the Government must deliver its growth strategy and help strengthen busi-

ness and consumer confidence."

Anecdotal evidence across the commercial vehicle trade suggests an upturn had to come soon anyway.

Operators large and small had pushed their vehicle-

replacement programmes far beyond normal limits in the face of the economic downturn, only to find that ageing vehicles start to look tatty – with public image consequences – and incur more unprofitable

downtime for maintenance.

As the SMMT said, operators are also upgrading for other reasons: van powertrain technology is beginning to echo that of the car sector, so there are real commercial and public

relations benefits from running a leaner and meaner fleet with better fuel consumption and lower emissions.

For Kent firms operating into London, there is also an opportunity to save on the capital's congestion charge by buying eco vans with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions below 100g/km.

Smaller operators are also playing a part because they are being forced to buy new vehicles due to a scarcity of decent used stock, caused by the big boys hanging on to their fleets for longer and running up galactic mileages.

Indeed, auction giant BCA reckons the van market faces a 'black hole' in supply in the years ahead due to new van registrations tumbling when the recession hit in 2007.

The report assumes that national demand for used vans will be in the region of 300,000 annually as the economy improves, leaving a yawning shortfall of some 275,000 first-time used vans entering the market each year from 2011 to 2015.

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# Vans make shift up to car comfort league

By Sam Davison

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VAN design has been revolutionised over the past decade or so.

Operators have seen economy, efficiency and flexibility soar, while drivers have enjoyed better performance, refinement and safety.

Much of the latter benefits have come about because of crossover designs from cars.

Initially, this was confined to smaller models derived from superminis or family hatchbacks, such as the Fiat Punto or Citroën C2 Enterprise vans; all that was needed was to blank out the rear windows and the driver could enjoy all the benefits of the equivalent car-owner, including air-con and a decent sound system.

But the same philosophy has since travelled up the line to larger vans, which can sometimes be derived from the platforms of popular



**ROOMY:** This airy cab view of a Mercedes-Benz Vito panel van underlines how comfort levels for van-drivers have grown steadily in recent years

hatchbacks, too, even if the van body is bespoke.

Load capacities have also widened, varying from as little as three cubic metres for a car-derived hatchback used by a courier company or

perhaps as a small company's runabout, right up to a 17 cubic-metre delivery van.

Access has improved, too. Many larger vans have low floors in the driving compartment for easy access and most vehicles above the super-mini class now come with at least one sliding door as standard to aid loading – many buyers also take up the option of a second 'slider'.

There is now a choice usually of side-opening twin doors or a high-lift tailgate as well, while cab doors generally have a reduced opening angle, with the double benefit of making it easy for a busy driver to grab the handle to close the door and also avoid it swinging wide and hitting something.

On the performance front, petrol-driven vans may still be available, but they have been all but been displaced by the better economy and range plus pulling power low down in the rev range of four- and five-cylinder diesels.

Diesel operating benefits are then compounded by extended service periods, lower maintenance costs and longer-lasting parts.

The engine's partner, the gearbox, has also undergone a change. A six-speed manual gearbox is normally the standard – a couple of cogs better than only a few years ago – but urban operators are turning increasingly to automatic, semi-automatic or clutchless transmissions. These can usually be driven with manual selection anyway but are ideal for the stop-start traffic conditions of the town and city and can be as economical as a manual.

Van safety has also gained from the car market; along with driver's airbag and the option of passenger, side and front curtain airbags, there are active safety features including anti-lock braking (ABS), traction control (TCS), braking control (EBC) and electronic stability programme (ESP).

## Berlingo drives off with another industry award

CITROËN'S award-winning Berlingo has scooped another accolade – this time it's the prestigious Institute of Transport Management's (ITM's) Best LCV 2012 award.

The judges' main criteria were reliability, cost-effectiveness and durability and they said of the French star: "Businesses are looking for LCVs that are lighter, with lower emissions and better fuel efficiency – qualities that the Citroën Berlingo range has in spades.

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**NEW KID IN TOWN:** Pick-ups such as the Isuzu Rodeo, left, and Fiat's Doblo Work Up, right, have changed the perceptions of many buyers

# Pick-Up Truck Man rides in

**By Sam Davison**

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IS THERE a roadgoing breed called Pick-Up Truck Man to rival White Van Man?

UK registrations for pick-ups have soared in recent years, both as commercial and leisure vehicles.

A reason for private numbers

rising is tax anomalies, but many commercial operators recognise that pick-ups are relatively cheap yet capacious workhorses available with two- or four-door cabs and, in the case of the 4x4 models, able to go most places required on a farm or construction site.

Could it be also that traditional off-roaders lack the

carrying capacity and have become too gentrified?

Or do the interlopers cater for an inner desire to wear a check shirt, jeans and cowboy boots?

There is certainly an air of Americana about contenders, like the conveniently-named Isuzu Rodeo, though Fiat appears to think post-recession

real-world economics should be applied, having launched a more compact offering based on the award-winning Doblo Cargo van.

The Doblo Work Up is a 'dropside' vehicle with compact external dimensions attractive across the agriculture, construction, maintenance or city parks services sectors, too.

## Hyundai's iLoad eyes established van stars

HYUNDAI has now turned its attention to the commercial vehicle market, aiming to bring its car division's familiar virtues of value and durability into play.

But it is a five-year/100,000-mile warranty that many operators will be eyeing up – particularly owner/drivers – as the Korean giant seeks to make similar inroads to those it has made on major players in the car market.

The Hyundai iLoad panel van targets established stars like the Ford Transit and Vauxhall Vivaro. It comes with a traditional rear-wheel-drive chassis and offers low running costs and one of the best

payloads and cargo areas in its class, having been developed specifically for the European market.

The iLoad's overall payload is 1062kg, while a load length of 2,375mm, width of 1,620mm and height of 1,350mm allow enough space to comfortably accommodate two standard pallets.

The overall load volume is 4.3 cubic metres with double rear and twin side-loading doors and a full-size steel bulkhead as standard.

Standard luxury equipment includes air-con and electric windows, while a six-seater double cab is also available.



**ON THE MOVE:** With its five-year/100,000-mile warranty, Hyundai's iLoad panel van could be about to make a big impact on the market

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# Van-users told that pressure costs

By Sam Davison

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MORE van and light goods vehicle (LGV) operators may be unwittingly slashing profitability and safety by overloading their vehicles.

The warning comes from leading UK tyre safety organisation TyreSafe and is based on evidence from the Government's licensing, testing and enforcement office VOSA (Vehicle and Operator Services Agency).

TyreSafe has said that unless operators compensate for carrying heavy loads by increasing tyre pressures to recommended levels, their tyres will wear out quicker, fuel consumption will increase and safety may be compromised.

"Overloading in itself is a serious safety hazard which operators must address, but even if they are carrying legal loads, they should ensure their tyres are adjusted and inflated to the correct pressure," said TyreSafe chairman Stuart Jackson.

"If tyres do not contain enough air for the load being carried, they are much more likely to experience a rapid deflation, which can result in a terrifying accident. There are also other significant downsides such as longer stopping distances, reduced stability, increased tyre wear and higher fuel consumption."

The effects of overloading and under-inflation are very similar. In these states, excessive heat builds up inside the tyre which significantly increases the likelihood of a dangerous blowout, particularly on high-speed motorway journeys.

When under-inflated, the tyre's contact patch with the road surface is reduced to two smaller



## PUMP IT UP:

Failing to keep tyres properly inflated can apply serious pressure to operating costs, even on economical vans like the big Citroën Relay (above) and Fiat's Scudo (right)

areas towards the outer edges of the tread. With the full vehicle load placed on these two areas, the tread wears at a much higher rate, forcing replacement much earlier than would be otherwise needed.

By running tyres at just 80 per cent of recommended pressure, operators can expect tyre life to be reduced to about 75 per cent. If the pressure falls to 60 per cent, they can expect to achieve just 35 per cent of the tyre's potential mileage.



When van tyres are inflated to the correct pressure for the load carried, they help the vehicle to travel further on each tank of fuel and reduce the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions produced.

Calculations from one TyreSafe member show that when tyres are under-inflated by just 20 per cent, 3 per cent more fuel is used.

The correct pressures for both the laden and unladen state of the vehicle can be found in the manufacturers' handbook, inside the fuel filler cap, or on a plate located on the front door sills.

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- Tyre pressure should be checked against the vehicle manufacturer's recommended operating pressures for the load being carried.
- Check the pressure when tyres are cold or when the vehicle has travelled less than two miles.
- When checking pressures, give the rest of the tyre a thorough visual inspection. Remove any stones and other objects embedded in the tread. Look out for cuts, lumps or bulges.
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# Kent's Olympic Countdown

## Breakthrough season sparks outbreak of Olympic ambition

In the first of a series with Kent's London 2012 hopefuls, chief sports reporter **David Pritchard** looks ahead with Tom Bosworth

FOR every athlete there comes a critical moment in their career when a psychological barrier is broken down with a performance which takes them to a new level.

The quantum leap arrived for Tom Bosworth at Birmingham's Alexander Stadium last July. Clocking 19 minutes 29 seconds for the five kilometre walk at the national championships, it smashed his personal best and set a new British record.

It came in a purple patch which took even the Sevenoaks race walker himself by surprise and provided a reservoir of confidence which remains invaluable in the task of qualifying for the Olympics this summer.

"Every time I race I think of that moment, those last few laps it felt like I was walking on water - an amazing feeling," he said.

"It really showed I'm at a high level now and why can't I go and get a qualifying time [for the Olympics]? I ask myself where it came from every day, but the training had gone well. I'd had a few injuries in the spring but since about May I'd trained hard and went for a 20 kilometre PB. I

Picture: PAUL JERREAT



**TOM BOSWORTH**

■ **AGE:** 22  
 ■ **HOMETOWN:** Sevenoaks  
 ■ **EVENT:** 20 kilometre walk  
 ■ **CAREER HIGHLIGHT:** Breaking the 5,000m British record at the national trials, July 2011.  
 ■ **OLYMPIC SELECTION CHANCES:** Probable

got that and then did the 5k.

"Obviously I'd been waiting for the right race and it just came that day. The following week I then broke my PB for 10k, so it was a good few days."

The 22-year-old finished 2011 ranked first in the country over 5k and 10k and second

over the Olympic distance of 20k, catapulting him into contention for the London Games.

It has been a rapid rise for Bosworth, who until relatively recently thought dreams of competing at an Olympics would go unfulfilled.

He said: "Athens in 2004 was the first one I really remember watching - Paula Radcliffe, Kelly Holmes, people like that. The walks as well, I had been doing race walking a couple of years and never thought 'that's going to be me'."

"By Beijing in 2008 I was a good junior but still then you're only doing 10k and as a senior you do 20k - it's still a huge step. It's another world to compete at a senior major championships. The Commonwealth Games taught me that and I'm just going to learn and see where it goes."

The experience of competing at the 2010 Commonwealth Games in Delhi, finishing 11th, should provide a useful foundation if Bosworth lines up on The Mall in August, but the priority is on achieving the qualifying standard as soon as possible. He needs to trim just over two minutes off his best time to have any chance of making the team, but after a strong training camp in Spain this month confidence is high for the opening race of the season in Switzerland in March.

He said: "If any athlete wasn't thinking positively like that and putting themselves in those positions then they can't be that determined to get what they want or achieve what they should be able to achieve."



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**SQUAD:** Will Bayley (left) and Ross Wilson

### Paralympic ping pong pair picked for British squad

TWO Kent table tennis players will compete at the Paralympics this summer after being selected for Great Britain's team.

Ross Wilson, from Sheppey, and Tunbridge Wells' Will Bayley were included in the 10-strong line-up announced by ParalympicsGB on Wednesday.

It will be the second Games for Bayley, who competed at Beijing in 2008. The 24-year-old is ranked world number one after winning gold at the European Championships in Croatia last October.

The call-up is by far the most significant achievement yet for Wilson, aged just 16, who won a silver medal at the German Open last year.

He said: "I am really pleased to have been selected to ParalympicsGB and can't wait to compete in London. In international competition I'm one of the youngest players and the Paralympics definitely represent the biggest moment of my career so far."

"My family will be watching me and supporting me along the way and it will be really special to compete in front of a home crowd."

### CRICKET

## Wicketkeeper makes surprise return to international cricket

GERAINT Jones will make a comeback to the international scene in March after being called into the Papua New Guinea squad for Twenty20 World Cup qualifying.

The 35-year-old was born in the country in Oceania before moving to Australia.

Jones, who last played for England more than five years ago, now has a chance to represent his country of birth after being named in the Hebou Barramundi's provisional 18-man line-up.

They are attempting to reach the World Cup for the first time and will have to come through a tough

qualifying tournament in Dubai to reach the final stages in Sri Lanka this September.

Only two countries out of 16 will make it, with Rarua Dikana's squad in a group with Afghanistan,

Denmark, Nepal and Hong Kong alongside Canada, Netherlands and Bermuda, who have all appeared in previous World Cups.

The call-up means Jones will miss Kent's pre-season trip to Antigua, which was announced this week. The 10-day camp in the Caribbean will be followed by warm-up games at home against Middlesex and Glamorgan.



Picture: ADY KERRY

### HOCKEY

## Argentina provides important test for Canterbury ladies star

**NATALIE Seymour is among the British women's hockey squad looking to gain some momentum ahead of the Olympics when the Champions Trophy begins this weekend.**

The tournament in Argentina is the final world ranking event before the London Games and is contested by the eight best sides in the world.

Britain play Japan on Saturday, followed by group games against the Netherlands, ranked number one in the world, and China as they aim to claim a favourable draw in the quarter-finals.

Speaking from Rosario, Seymour, who plays for Canterbury ladies, felt it was a crucial stepping stone ahead



Picture: WALLY NELL

**PREPARED:** Natalie Seymour of the Olympics.

She said: "I think there's always one eye on the summer but at the same time this is an important phase for us and we want to make sure we're putting in some good performances."

"It's about performing now and getting belief and confidence against the world's best teams to hold us in good stead for the summer."

### MOTORSPORT

## World Rally debut joy as Cook makes Monte Carlo podium

LOUISE Cook exceeded her own expectations with a successful debut in the World Rally Championship in Monte Carlo last weekend.

The 24-year-old's Ford Fiesta was up against much more powerful cars in her category, the Production Car World Rally Championship (PWRC), but she guided it home in second place.

The opening stages were made tougher by patches of ice and mechanical issues, but after making the cut the Maidstone driver's focus was on reaching the finish. Despite having to nurse the car home, Cook was delighted.

She said: "We achieved our goal though and I am so pleased as anything could have happened with the car, the gearbox has never done more than 400 miles on a rally and was now faced with 1200, so that was a constant worry."

"We did it though, we got her to the end and gained second place in the PWRC, a result that we could never have imagined, but we had to be there at the finish to take it."

Cook is now working hard on raising the £70,000 needed to compete for the rest of the season. The next round is in May, with the Acropolis Rally in Greece.





## Sport

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## FOOTBALL

# Spiller keen to finish his career with beloved Gills

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ANKLE surgery has kept Danny Spiller on the sidelines for most of the season but as a return to the Gillingham first-team is within reach the midfielder has revealed a desire to stay at Priestfield for the rest of his career.

After a good start to the campaign a late tackle in the 1-0 defeat at Southend United in September brought Spiller's season to a grinding halt. The resulting operation means by the time he regains fitness in February five months will have been spent in rehabilitation.

It is hardly an ideal way to spend the final year of a contract, but if it is a concern, Spiller is not letting on. Instead the 30-year-old is not only aiming to earn a new deal this summer, but the intention is to stay until retirement.

"I don't worry because I've been at Gillingham a long time now and I know what they expect from me," he said. "I'll try to give them that when I'm fit and I look forward to getting back and earning myself another contract. It would be a milestone next year if I did stay at Gillingham because it would be my 10th year there as a professional. I'm hoping to remain as long as I possibly can because it's where I'm happy and it's where I feel I play my best football."

"I don't see any reason why I couldn't [finish my career there]. I'm a local lad and to achieve 10 years at a football club like Gillingham would be a feather in my cap."

Few players in the squad have closer ties with

Picture: ADY KERRY



## DANNY SPILLER'S CAREER

...with Gillingham  
**179 appearances, 10 goals**

...away from Gillingham  
**21 appearances, 1 goal**

**HOME BOY:** Danny Spiller has struggled to replicate his Gillingham form when playing elsewhere during his career

the Gills than Spiller, who is a product of the club's youth system, signing professional forms in 2000. He went on to become a regular, only leaving in 2007 to join Millwall. It began an unhappy three seasons ravaged by injury, with spells at Wycombe and Dagenham & Redbridge before he returned to Gillingham in 2010.

The torrid spell at Millwall means Spiller has

been able to keep some perspective during the latest injury setback.

He said: "You have to be mentally strong and realise you have to put the work in, more so possibly than normal day-to-day training."

"I've been out for a year and then 18 months at other stages in my career. When they said this would be 12-16 weeks I just got on with it."

## FOOTBALL

## Kent League clubs give thumbs-up to FA's pyramid scheme proposals

KENT League clubs were unanimous in their support for the FA's plans to restructure the non-league game, according to the league's chairman Denise Richmond.

Member clubs met to discuss the National League System Step 5-6 Review last week.

Under the proposals the number leagues at "step 5" in the pyramid which feed into the Ryman, Southern and Northern Premier Leagues, would be reduced from 14 leagues of varying sizes to 12 divisions of 22 teams each.

"I do know that Kent clubs are supporting the proposals, as they voted unanimously at the meeting," Richmond said.

"As for the future of the Kent League we don't know what it'll mean for the name and as a management committee we did have reservations, but we're democratically elected to represent our clubs and that's what we'll do."

It was feared the eight London clubs in the 16-team



**ROAD TRIP:** Deal Town (in white) face longer journeys

Kent League would be lumped in with a new London or Essex League, but under the new system they will be joined by six from elsewhere in the south-east, the most distant of which is Peacehaven & Telscombe from the Sussex County League.

Richmond said: "[The clubs] didn't want to be split up, with some clubs having to go north of the river and others staying south. There were also some reservations about finances but Kent League clubs have always complained that they wanted more games and this outcome means they do stay together."

Tunbridge Wells chairman Joe Croker gave the scheme his full support.

"We're very much of the view that we don't have enough games in a season," he said. "Should we not do well in the cups we'd only have 15 or 16 home games a season and that's enough to generate revenue or to keep up interest for our supporters."

However, Croker warned the plans were likely to meet opposition in Sussex.

He said: "We suspect it's going ahead anyway, but we know some of the Sussex teams, who would have the furthest to travel, are very much against it."

## FOOTBALL

## Sampson lends support to Bay

**A LETTER** containing words of encouragement from an FA Vase-winning manager formed part of Herne Bay's pre-match preparation ahead of their big cup win last weekend.

The Kent League side were handed a tough draw, away to Newcastle Benfield, in the FA Vase fourth round, but despite the long journey and tricky weather conditions they came through to win 2-1.

Before the game Bay boss Simon Halsey read a letter to the squad from Tommy Sampson, a former Winch's Field manager who guided Deal Town to the victory in the Vase in 2000.

Halsey said: "It was just really saying if we can travel that far and get a result there's a realistic chance we could go all the way. He said he'd be sitting at home with his radio on all afternoon clutching his winner's medal and telling us to believe in ourselves."

"It wasn't over the top but it was great to hear that from someone who has achieved what Tommy has. We got a lot of advice and good luck messages in the build-up and it all added up."

Rhys Lawson's winner two minutes from the end of normal time clinched the victory.

Monday's draw set up a tie at Winch's Field against Larkhall Athletic from Bath on February 11. The triumphant side will be just two rounds from the final.

## NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL FOCUS

WITH FRED ATKINS

### Late Kick-Off misses the point

“ALL around Kent there are non-league clubs desperately trying to let people know they exist.

And in certain parts of the county, it seems reasonable to assume, a majority of the local population is unaware there is even a team bearing its town's name.

Last Saturday, Tunbridge Wells hosted an FA Vase fourth round tie, their biggest game in a number of years, and were pleased when 404 - less than one percent of the town's population - turned up.

Even a few seconds of television exposure could potentially have put hundreds on the gate, but non-league clubs are almost entirely ignored by TV companies obsessed with the professional game to the exclusion of everything else.

It wouldn't cost a lot to make a half hour show with 20 minutes of highlights from two games and the rest taken up with a preview of the weekend's fixtures.

Instead the BBC gives us a second series of Late Kick-Off, a show presumably designed for people who enjoy watching grown men laugh at each other's jokes and calling each other things like "Chappers".

LKO describes itself as "focusing on the fortunes of the 14 Football League clubs in London and the South East."

It's very obviously aimed at demonstrating a commitment to regional programming, with Dan Walker billed as the "key talent". The opening episode began with a desperate attempt to justify its existence, by treating these 14 clubs as if they were some kind of mythical league of allies.

Barry Davies was coaxed out of retirement to read an ode to the 14 to the strains of Faure's Pavane, presumably an attempt to give everything an air of class.

But the poem itself was a toxic brew of clichés where Gillingham got a three-second mention including the phrase "Garden of England", and lions apparently roared at Millwall, Eagles soared etc.

The reportage was even more hackneyed. David Gold, West Ham's publicity-starved co-owner said he'd clawed his way out of poverty for the 4,584th time.

There was even a story on the "fairytale" at AFC Wimbledon, as if anyone who hadn't spent the last 10 years in a monastery could possibly need to know anything more about a club that makes Katie Price look like Howard Hughes.

Episode two kicked off with eight people singing: "Oh, Orey, Orey! Orey, Orey, Orey, Orey, Orient." Was this because, as Eastenders repeatedly demonstrates, there is no limit to the public's appetite for semi-literate cockneys?

In the first two episodes, Kent received 73 seconds of footage in total: three for the poem, 20 on the Gills' defeat at Shrewsbury and a generous 40 on their seven-goal thriller with Wimbledon.

Studio chat meanwhile, made up around half the air time.

"We could go on all night," said Walker at one point. They undoubtedly will.



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